

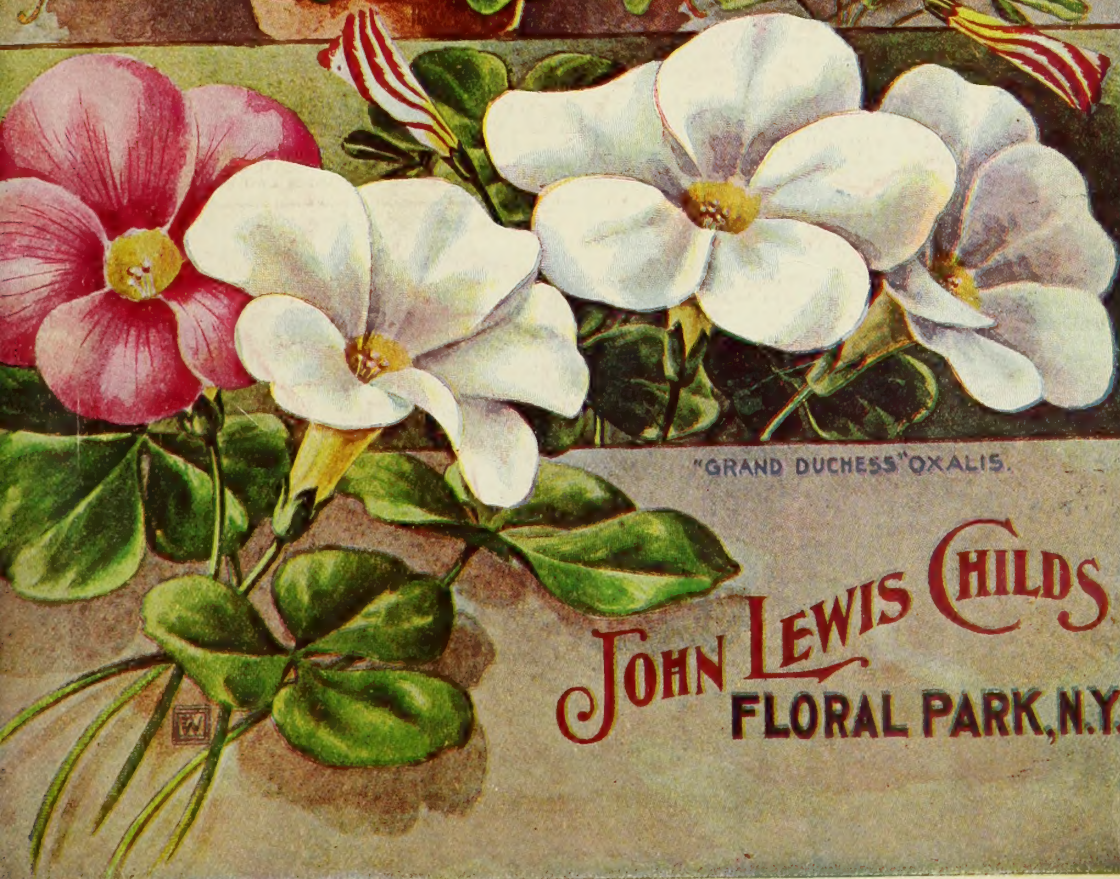
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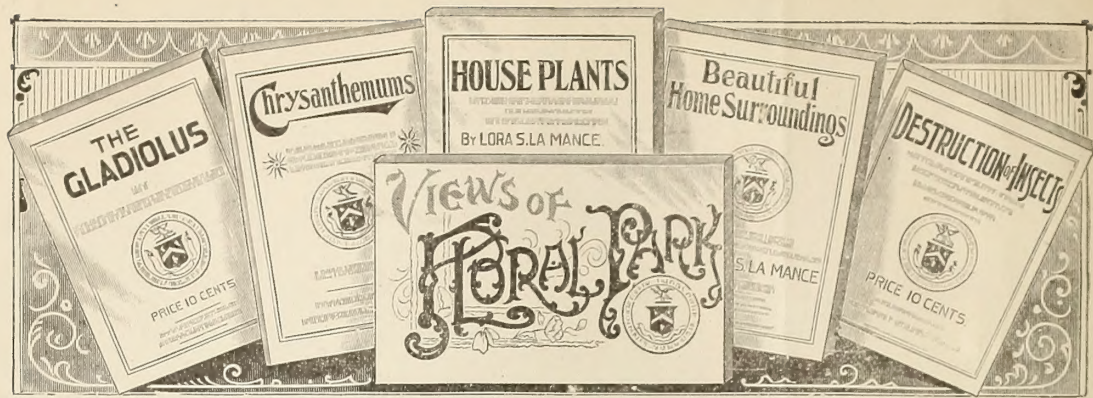
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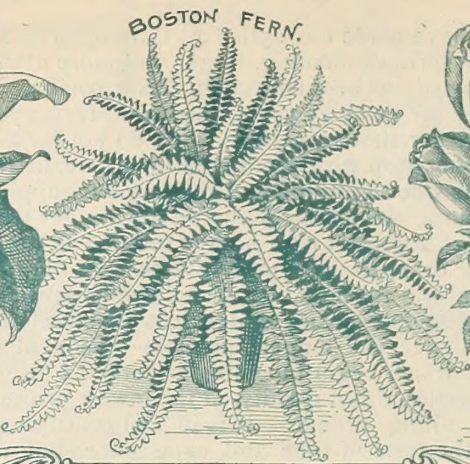
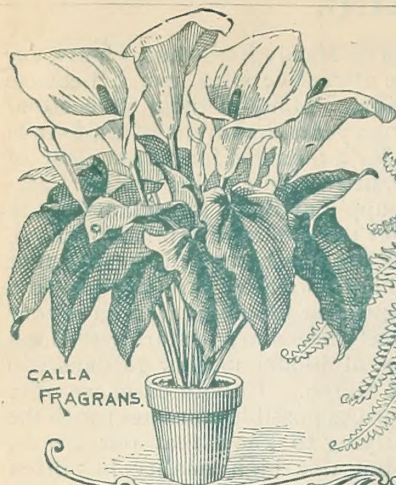
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SOIL.—The variety of soil is not a very important item in bulb culture. Any good garden loam will answer; but if we had a variety to choose from we would take a rich, sandy soil and mix it with a small quantity of leaf-mold. Do not use manure unless it is very old and well pulverized, and then only in small quantities, or it may cause the bulb to decay, or encourage too rank a growth of foliage.

TIME TO PLANT.—Bulbs can be planted from September to December, and some kinds even later, but the earlier the better will be the result, especially if desired for early blooming. Plant in September or October if possible.

PLANTING.—In planting, set the bulbs just below the surface of the soil, so that they will be entirely covered. Set the bulbs down in the soil and cover them; do not press them in by force, for this packs the soil under them, and when the roots start they are apt to lift the bulb.

AFTER PLANTING.—They should be well watered and set away in some cool, dark place to make root. A cellar is best, for it is desirable that they should be kept moist and as cool as possible, hence a warm, dry place is not a good one. Water them from time to time as the soil becomes dry. They should remain in this position at least four weeks, and as much longer as possible, it being desirable that they should have good roots before bringing them out to bloom.

BLOOMING.—When brought from the cellar or storeroom the pots or bulbs should be placed in a light, sunny window. See that they are watered frequently and have as much fresh air as possible. Keep them free from dust, and when in bloom they will last much longer kept in a cool atmosphere than in a hot one.

Culture in the Garden.

Bulbs are especially valuable for outdoor planting, as they bloom at a time when the garden is utterly destitute, and make it gay and attractive. Scillas, Snowdrops and Crocus appear as soon as the snow is away, and are quickly followed by Hyacinths, Narcissus, Tulips, etc. The display which a few of these bulbs make in the early spring is indeed charming, and they are always appreciated more than any other class of flowers, for they come when most needed.

For garden culture bulbs do not need a very rich soil and are easily cared for. Plant in September, October or November, which are the best months. Late in the fall the beds can be covered with leaves or other coarse litter, which should be removed early in spring. After the bulbs are through flowering the leaves soon turn yellow and die, and are then ripe enough to be taken up and stored away for planting again in the fall, leaving the beds to be filled with other plants for the summer display, or, if desired, they can be left in the beds the whole year.

PREPARATION OF BEDS.—Spade up so that the beds will be a little higher than the surface, so that water will readily drain off. If the soil is poor, add a liberal quantity of well-rotted manure.

TIME TO PLANT.—September and October are the best months for planting bulbs in the garden, though it may be done in November and December. Set them from one to six inches apart, according to variety or size, and from one to three inches deep.

PROTECTION.—After planting, the beds should be covered with leaves, straw or other coarse litter (as a mulch or protection), which should be removed when the bulbs start in early spring. This is not necessary to save the bulbs for most kinds are perfectly hardy in any situation without protection, but it is most advisable to do it, for it preserves the vitality of the bulbs to a great extent, and when in bloom you can notice that those which were protected will do twice as good as those which were not.



OUR GREAT SURPRISE COLLECTION.

Larger and Finer This Year Than Ever Before.

\$4.00 or \$5.00 Worth of the Choicest Bulbs for Only \$1.00.

We are obliged to grow and import enormous stocks of all kinds of Bulbs, generally more than is necessary, to make sure of having enough. It is our custom, after the heavy fall business is about over, in November, to take this surplus stock of various good things, make it into "Surprise" Collections, and offer same to our customers, giving them four or five times the value of their money. In fact, the "Surprise" is the great amount of fine Bulbs one gets for the money paid. These collections cannot be sent out until about the tenth of November, and will be entirely of our own selection, from kinds of which we have a surplus. No collection will be made up for less than one dollar, and from that up to any amount the purchaser may desire. They will be sent free, by mail, unless desired by express, and in that case we can send very much more for the money than by mail. All "Surprise" Collections ordered previous to Nov. 10th will be booked and shipped then, but we continue sending them up to the end of December. We advise our friends to invest a dollar or more in this collection. We can guarantee that they will be greatly pleased.

OTHER COLLECTIONS.

A Fine Bulb Collection.

30 BULBS, 10 SORTS, FOR 50c.

For only 50c. we will mail a collection of 30 Bulbs, 3 each of 10 different kinds, of our selection. They will be suitable either for pots or the garden, and affords one an opportunity of testing a good variety at little cost.

A Splendid Plant Collection.

10 SORTS FOR WINTER BLOOMING \$1.00.

For only \$1.00 we will send the following collection of 10 fine plants for winter decoration:

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| 1 Abutilon, Infanta Eulalia. | 1 Begonia Vernon, |
| 1 Weeping Lantana. | 1 Golden Salvia. |
| 1 Rose, Champion of the World. | 1 Rainbow Cannas. |
| 1 Calla, Little Gem. | 1 Manettia Vine. |
| 1 Filifera Palm. | 1 Parrot's Feather. |

Hardy Perennial Plants.

7 BEST SORTS FOR 75c.

For 75c. we will send one fine plant each of the following fine Hardy Perennials:

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| 1 Perennial Phlox. | 1 Rudbeckia Golden Glow. |
| 1 Hardy Candytuft. | 1 Mosquito Catcher. |
| 1 Day Lily, Variegated. | 1 Iris Kaempferi. |
| 1 Hemerocallis. | |

10 Fine Lilies for 80c.

For 80c. we send 10 fine Lilies, 10 sorts, named. See page 32.

6 New Fruits for 50c.

For only 50c. we will send one fine plant each of the following 6 New Fruits:

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| Tree Strawberry. | Japanese Wineberry. |
| Tree Blackberry. | Climbing Raspberry. |
| Mayberry. | Everbearing White Raspberry. |

12 Large Trees and Shrubs for \$1.50.

For \$1.50 we will send by express 12 large fruit trees and shrubs, all different sorts, our selection. They will all be new or extra fine sorts and strong, well established trees and bushes. This collection is really worth \$5.00 and we make this offer only to get rid of some surplus stock, which will soon be too large to transplant.



BEST NAMED HYACINTHS.

Beyond doubt the Hyacinth is the Queen of Spring. Its hardiness, ease of culture, and certainty to bloom would alone insure popularity, but it has the additional merit of being one of the most decorative and ornamental of plants. Its massive spikes of waxen flowers are of the most perfect shape and most delicious fragrance, while its colors sport into a hundred shades, tints and blendings. Out of the long list of Holland growers we have chosen the very cream of all varieties, either for pot or garden culture. The bulbs here offered are not of second size or inferior quality, but first-class in every respect, consequently our prices for same are very low.

We have tried to sell named Hyacinths at 10c. each, but the advanced prices in Holland and duty make it impossible to sell first size, large select bulbs, for less than 15c. each.

12 BEST SINGLE HYACINTHS.

- Amy**—Quite early; fine spikes of medium-sized flowers of a deep, clear, carmine-red, glowing with richness.
- Argus**—Fine flower and spike. Dark blue with large white center. Extra.
- Grand Marvel**—A most beautiful sort. Large spikes of handsome, bluish-white bells. Few so fine as this.
- Norma**—Beautiful pink, very large and an extra early bloomer. Exquisite.
- Pure D'Or**—Spikes of pretty corn-colored bells.
- Certrude**—Tall, with heavy spikes of extra large flowers of a distinct shade of lilac-pink, turning to silver-rose, striped carmine. Extra fine.
- Gigantea**—Thick spikes and large bells of a beautiful flesh color. One of the grandest sorts.
- King of the Blues**—An enormous compact spike of bloom, of a deep indigo-blue color. In size and perfection this is one of the finest of all Hyacinths.
- La Franchise**—A magnificent variety. Large, long spikes of bluish-white blossoms, turning afterward to a snowy-white; petals very broad, and flowers of great substance measuring two inches across.
- Pleneman**—A magnificent sort, with enormous sky-blue bells arranged in graceful spikes of great size.
- Queen of the Blues**—(Single). Enormous spike; one of the very largest of all Hyacinths. Beautiful light blue with silvery appearance.
- Rousseau**—Fine large bells. Color a most delicate and charming bluish.

PRICE—Extra large select bulbs 15c. each; the 12 for \$1.50.

Mixed Single Hyacinths—A fine mixture of all colors at 75c. per dozen, \$4.50 per 100.

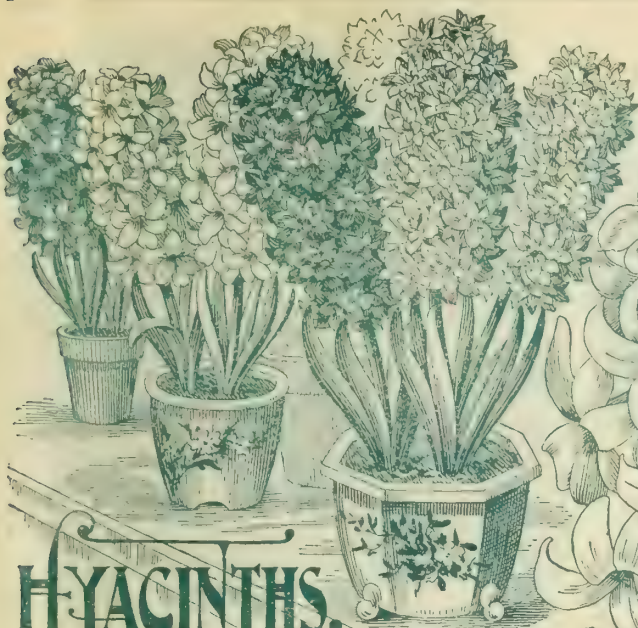
12 BEST DOUBLE HYACINTHS.

- Bouquettendre**—Tall and compact truss; beautifully shaped florets of a tender rose color.
- Bouquet Royal**—Fine light pink or blush. Extra large spike and very beautiful.
- Croottvorst**—Compact truss, large and very double bells of bluish-white, with a touch of lilac-rose at center.
- La Virginiate**—Spikes of tubular bells; pure white tinted delicate bluish.
- Prince of Saxe Wiemar**—Tall spikes of rich indigo blue.
- Sunflower**—Splendid large flower; one of the best yellows.
- Lord Castlereagh**—Very double; white, flushed with violet. A beautiful spike and very fragrant.
- La Tour D'Auvergne**—Very early flowering, and the best of all double whites. Florets large and wax-like and spikes of immense size. Very early to bloom and the finest double Hyacinth for pots.
- Noble Par Merite**—Fine, compact spikes of large double flowers, as perfect as little roses. A soft shell-pink, gradually deepening into a deep peach carmine.
- Othello**—Fine deep indigo-black. A very fine and rare color of exceeding richness and beauty.
- Prince Albert**—A most charming variety, of rich indigo blue, and large double flowers. One of the very best.
- Prince of Orange**—Extra large and magnificent spike. Color fine rosy crimson.

PRICE—Extra large select bulbs 15c. each; the 12 for \$1.50.

Mixed Double Hyacinths—A fine mixture of all colors at 75c. per dozen, \$4.50 per 100.

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HYACINTHS.

New and Rare Hyacinths.

The following are rare or new varieties, and the grandest of all flowering Hyacinths. The bulbs are extra large and strong, and will give such blossoms as never before seen.

Rosa Maxima—(Single). Fine pink, of exquisite texture. Truss extra large and perfect. Probably the finest pink

Obelisque—(Single). A rare and exceedingly scarce variety, being the grandest of all yellow colors. Spike large and compact, while the color is the very best yellow.

Lord Anson—(Double). Fine large spikes, florets of perfect form; color soft blush-lilac, delicate and pretty.

Marechal Niel—(Double). A glorious Hyacinth, as double as a rose and of a charming soft pink color. A prodigious bloomer, each bulb throwing up as many as 12 spikes. A pot of 3 bulbs tested by us last winter showed 36 spikes in bloom at one time. On this account it is certainly one of the most remarkable and satisfactory of all sorts.

Globosa—(Double). Extra large truss of most exquisite pink color. A grand new sort.

Milton—(Double). Fine, compact spike of great size, and magnificent color, being a deep, dark red of peculiar richness. This is one of the very choicest varieties.

La Grandeur—(Double). The ideal double yellow variety. No other sort of the color can approach it in size and magnificence of spike, and the clear yellow tone.

Ne Plus Ultra—(Double). A very peculiar and pretty sort. Flowers large and double, pure white with a blue center, the two colors contrasting finely. Entirely unlike any other sort.

General Havelock—(Single Black). A grand single Hyacinth with enormous compact spikes of bloom which are of an indigo-black color. Its odd and striking color makes it peculiarly conspicuous, and it is indeed a rare and glorious plant when in bloom.

La Grandesse—(Single). Finest single white. Very large spikes and bells. Color, clear waxy white.

Mammoth or Lily Hyacinth—(Single). A new sort with gigantic pendulous bells, each one of which is almost as large as a small lily and of the same shape. Color, white, delicately shaded blush. A large spike of these beautiful lily-like bells is indeed a most superb object.

Roi des Belges—(Single). Fine, massive spikes, crowded with medium-sized flowers that open a rich self-carmine, gradually turning into a dark, glowing crimson. The brightest color among Hyacinths.

PRICE—The above grand Hyacinths, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00; the 12 for \$3.00.

Extra Mixed Hyacinths for Pots.

Here we offer finest Dutch named sorts, mixed. The bulbs are extra large and fine, selected particularly for winter blooming.



and are as fine as the bulbs of our named sorts, and will give as good results for pot culture. \$1.00 per dozen.

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Pompon Hyacinths.

A class of Hyacinths with comparatively small bulbs, and, as they are usually compact growers, can be more cheaply grown than the larger bulbed class. While the spikes scarcely average as heavy as other Hyacinths, the difference is small, and many specimens are fully equal to the best of the latter. They are splendid for either garden or pots, while for cutting they are best of all. Every hue, shade and color is found among them; the flowers are large and wax-like, and the spikes airy and graceful.

Mixed Pompon Hyacinths—All colors, double and single, 50c. per dozen; \$2.80 per 100.

Mixed Hyacinths.

Our Mixed Hyacinths are not ordinary stock, but fine large bulbs which will give magnificent bloom either in the house or garden. We have marked prices down very low indeed.

	Per doz.	per 100
Single Mixed, all colors, extra fine.....	75	\$4 50
Double Mixed, all colors, extra fine.....	75	4 50
Double and Single Mixed, extra fine.....	65	4 00
Pompon Mixed, all colors, double and single....	50	2 80
Roman Mixed, all colors, double and single.....	50	2 50

Mixed Named Hyacinths

UNDER COLOR.

Double White, Mixed.	Single White, Mixed.
" Red, "	" Red, "
" Pink, "	" Pink, "
" Blue, "	" Blue, "
" Yellow, "	" Yellow, "

Price of above 10c. each; the 10 for 80c.; or either color at 85c. per dozen.

Grape Hyacinth.

One of the sweetest little flowers imaginable, and in masses very striking, making a wave of intense blue that catches every eye. As hardy as an oak, and as it increases rapidly should be planted in quantities in every garden. Its spikes are just the size for button-hole bouquets, while its long stems enable it to be used to advantage in all bouquets or cut-flower work. If you want a "pot of blue," that will make your window a thing of beauty for a month in midwinter, plant half a dozen bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as other Hyacinths, and you will have your desire. They never fail to bloom, each bulb sending up two flower-stalks that rise to a uniform height of eleven inches, each stalk being crowned with a two-inch spike of tiny white-capped bells of the purest, loveliest shade of deep sky-blue.

Sky Blue—The most fairy-like of spring flowers. 3 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00.

Indigo Blue—Fine deep indigo, tipped white. 3 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00.

Snow White—Long spikes of milky whiteness. Fine for contrast, and quite new. 3 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00. 12 bulbs each of the 3 sorts for 40c.

Mixed Grape Hyacinths—All colors, 15c. per doz.; \$1 per 100.



Cockade Hyacinth.

A real curiosity. First, a frizzed, cockade-like spike, an inch or two in length, appears above the soil, and as it slowly rises on its long stalk, it becomes five or six times as long as at first, developing into a long feathery blue plume, and lasting for weeks in that condition. Perfectly hardy in the garden, and fine for pots. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Hyacinthus Belgicus.

A distinct species of Hyacinth that we urge our customers to plant largely. It resembles the Grape Hyacinth more than any other, yet it is very distinct, its spikes being much longer and looser and the bells wider and larger in every way. It is also equally adapted to garden or pots, producing a mass of bloom that is very striking and beautiful. Should be planted in masses to produce the best effect. Five or six bulbs may be planted in a 5-inch pot, and will need no more care than other Hyacinths. We offer this species at prices so low that our customers can afford to plant them in quantities. There are three colors, white, pink and violet. Price of mixed bulbs, 2 for 5c.; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.





Roman Hyacinths.

Not at all like the Dutch or Show Hyacinths, though they do not suffer by comparison. The slender stems, arching beneath their load of daintily poised bells, are the acme of grace and elegance, while so many spikes are thrown up from each bulb that the whole pot appears a mass of bloom. Roman Hyacinths are extra good for cutting, and so early that they bloom by Christmas, or before, remaining in perfection nearly a month if the room is not kept too warm. They are extremely early and bloom in the garden with the Crocus. Two bulbs can be planted in a 4-inch pot, or 3 bulbs in a 5-inch pot. The bulbs we offer are extra large and strong, superb for winter blooming.

Single White—The most popular of all. Every window should have several pots of these. Exquisite bells, white as the driven snow and pleasantly fragrant. Never fails to bloom. Extra large.

Single Blue—Dark blue bells. About ten days later than the white, with which it forms a fine contrast. A great bloomer. Extra large.

Double Light Pink—The double Roman Hyacinths are larger than the single sorts. This sort has elegant waxy bells of pale shell pink.

Double Dark Pink—Like the above, but a beautiful, clear, bright rose. Spikes long and heavy for this class.

PRICE—Extra large bulbs, 6c. each; the 4 for 20c.; 3 each of the 4 for 60c. Either sort at 55c. per doz.

Canary Yellow Roman.

Beautifully shaped bells in airy, graceful spikes; in color a soft, pleasing canary yellow. Really the finest of all yellow Hyacinths. Large select bulbs, 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 12 for \$1.50.

Double White Roman.

This new double white sort needs no special praise to induce people to plant it. The spikes of bloom are large and fine, flower double, pure snow white and very fragrant. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 12 for \$1.50.

Mixed Roman Hyacinths

A very fine mixture of all sorts, double and single. Large select bulbs, 50c. per doz.; \$2.50 per 100



Specialties in Gorgeous Tulips.

We make a leading specialty of Tulips this season, our growers having furnished us with an enormous surplus of extra fine, select Bulbs at a great sacrifice in prices. We give our customers the benefit of this, and advise them to plant them largely. Tulips are the most gorgeous and satisfactory spring flowers. Remember that these low prices do not represent second-class bulbs (we do not keep such), but strictly first quality, large and select in every way.

There is no question but that the Tulip is the most popular spring flower that grows. The soft, seductive breezes have scarce whispered in our ears that spring is at hand, ere our eyes, wearied of winter's dull, sombre, lifeless tints, are dazzled by a sudden blaze of Tulips in rainbow shades, ribboning the earth with warmth and color. From the first Duc Van Thol, scarce peeping above the ground, to the last Gesneriana Tulip, holding its flaming cup high aloft, there is a constant succession of Tulip beauties—single, double, dwarf, tall, early, medium, and late, with blossoms cup-shaped, star-formed, bowl-like, Paony-flowered, imbricated like a rose, or twisted, waved, and horned, like the plumage of some fantastic bird. No garden can be complete without plenty of Tulips. Have some of all kinds, they are so cheap.



Mixed Tulips.

Our mixed Tulips are of extra fine quality, being made up from first-class named sorts and much superior to the ordinary grades.

	Per doz.	Per 100
Double Fine Mixed All colors.....	25	\$1 50
Single Fine Mixed All colors.....	20	1 25
Parrot Fine Mixed All colors.....	20	1 25
Byblooms, Fine Mixed All colors.....	25	1 70
Bizards, Fine Mixed All colors.....	20	1 25
Duc Van Thol, Fine Mixed—All colors.....	25	1 50
Darwin, Fine Mixed All colors.....	35	2 25
Variegated Foliage Mixed colors.....	35	2 25

12 TULIPS—DIFFERENT CLASSES—FOR 50c.

For 50c. we will send one fine bulb each of the following twelve distinct classes of Tulips:

Single, Early,	Byblooms,	Variegated Foliage,
Double, Early,	Bizard,	Sweet Scented,
Parrot,	Gesneriana,	Persica,
Duc Van Thol,	Picotee,	Darwin.

This collection furnishes a fine study of the different classes, and will be most attractive and interesting when in bloom.

Parrot Tulips.

A flower more bizarre, fantastic, or grotesque, would be hard to find. A bed or clump of them always attracts much attention. They are six, seven and eight inches across, with petals toothed, horned, twisted, and waved, now loosely incurved, now spread flatly out like a star. Some are yellow, some are crimson, or again dashed, flaked or feathered with green, gold or scarlet. Fine to plant among strawberry, or for bedding. They grow ten inches in height, and bloom just after the double Tulips.

Constantinople	Fine deep crimson.
Cloriosa	Yellow, splashed and streaked crimson and green.
Perfecta	Gaily striped, yellow and red.
Lutea Major	Fine yellow.

Price, 5c. each; the 4 for 10c; 80c. per dozen.

Cramoise Brilliant New and extra fine; deep, dark, rich ruby crimson, with large, star-shaped, black center. Extraordinary large sized, being 8 or 9 inches across. The most magnificent of all Parrots and the best adapted to winter blooming. It is simply grand. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

Fine Mixed Parrot Tulips All varieties. Doz. 20c.; 100 \$1.25.

Tulipa Gesneriana.

The grandest Tulip in existence. Tall growing and late blooming, with large, long leaves, and tall, erect flower stalks, which support great waxen blooms larger than tea cups, of the most vivid, glossy, coral red, each flower showing a deep blue-black blotch at the base, that further enhances its beauty. They remain in bloom a long time, and clumps of this grand flower are particularly fine planted among evergreens or shrubbery, lighting up their sombre background as with a flaming torch.

Scarlet, Blue Center—The true Gesneriana as described above.

Golden Yellow—Exactly like the above, except a golden yellow color. A superb novelty.

PRICE, 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.



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BIZARD & BYBLOOM TULIPS.

Bizard and Bybloom Tulips.

It seems strange these are not more commonly grown, for their large, cup-like blossoms, feathered and flaked as only a Tulip can be, are always admired more than any other. Byblooms have white, light or violet grounds, flaked and feathered, rose, lilac, pink, purple violet, scarlet, black and crimson. Bizards have yellow grounds, flamed and blazed maroon, black, scarlet, bronze and brown. We offer a fine mixture of every imaginable color and marking. We know our customers, if they could but see a bed of these in their gorgeous splendor, could not resist planting them.

Byblooms—White ground, variegated with various colors. Fifty finest sorts, mixed, 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Bizards—Yellow ground, variegated. Fifty fine sorts, mixed, 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for \$1.25.



Duc Van Thol Tulips.

These are the best of all for house culture and the first of all to bloom out of doors. They are noted for the depth and purity of their colors and as they bloom two weeks in advance of all other Tulips, are quite indispensable in the garden, as well as the house for winter.

Crimson—Fine for contrast.

Gold Striped—Scarlet, striped gold.

Rose—White, shaded with clear rose. Delicate and beautiful.

Scarlet—Brilliant, dazzling scarlet.

Violet—Lovely violet-crimson, white border. Very distinct and handsome.

White—A fine pure color.

Orange—A fine bedder.

Vermillion—Fine bright color.

Double—These are popular for house culture, as they are so certain to bloom, and so early and fine. No other double Tulips are as well adapted to pot culture. They are very brilliant, and being double remain perfect a long time. Color, red and yellow.

PRICE—5c. each; the 9 for 25c.; 30c. per dozen.

Mixed Duc Van Thol Tulips—All colors, 25c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.

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"DUC VAN THOL" TULIPS.



Single Tulips.

The Single Early Tulips are great for bedding and for winter blooming in pots. The following are the very best kinds.

FIVE VERY FINE SORTS.

- Cardinal's Hat**—Rich blood scarlet; gold tinted border.
Duchess of Parma—Extra large, early, and gloriously colored. Orange-yellow, shading to terra cotta, with fiery yellow and brown shadings. Bright and showy.
L'Immaculee—Beautiful snow-white flower with lemon eye.
Purple Crown—Fine cup-shaped flower of maroon-cardinal.
Van Der Neer—A splendid large flower of a rare and lovely bright violet color. Very distinct.
 Price of above, 3c. each; the 5 for 10c.; 3 of each 28c.; 25c. doz.

SIX EXTRA FINE SORTS.

- Chrysolora**—Very large flower and widely opened. Color, a solid golden yellow.
Color de Cardinal—Large cup-shaped blooms of a rich cardinal-red. Intensely brilliant.
Kaiser Kroon—Outside of each petal bright scarlet, broadly bordered yellow; inside deep yellow zoned with wide center band of velvety scarlet glowing like fire. Extra large size.
Miltiades—Large elegant flower, splendidly cupped. Pure white exquisitely shaded and clouded with soft pink.
Silver Standard—Beautifully shaped flowers of a fresh carmine-scarlet, striped and feathered white. Very showy.
Wowerman—Extra large and fine. Deep magenta red.
 Price, 4c. each; the 6 for 20c.; 3 of each 50c.; 28c. per doz.

SIX RARE AND GRAND SORTS.

- Cottage Maid or La Precieuse**—Lovely pink and white, most charmingly suffused and feathered, of immense size, most unique in color and one of the loveliest Tulips that ever bloomed, either for pots or the garden.
Globe de Rigaud—Very large, round flower of an odd lilac shade, freely striped and flaked pure white.
Joost Van Vondal—Beautiful glossy rose, deep rich red and pure snow-white, the colors mingled and blended together in a charming manner. One of the largest and very finest.
Proserpine—A grand flower and a superb color. Exquisite rosy scarlet, a shade not found in any other sort, and lovely beyond description. Of great size and beautifully cupped.
Verboom—Flower of gigantic size, and richest glowing scarlet red. Extra early and fine in every way.
White Swan—Large, pure white flowers; extra fine for winter blooming.
 Price, 5c. each; the 6 for 25c.; 3 each 65c., or 30c. per doz.

THE ABOVE 17 SORTS FOR ONLY 10c.

- 1 L'IMMACULEE
 2 LA PRECIEUSE
 3 MILTIADES
 4 SILVER STANDARD
 5 KAISER KROON
 6 CHRYSOLORA
 7 COLOR DE CARDINAL.

MIXED SINGLE TULIPS.

Extra Fine Mixed Single Tulips 20c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100; \$10 per 1,000.

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GRAND DOUBLE TUPLIPS.

Double Tulips produce very large double flowers, many of which are as large and showy as a Pæony. The bright colors of the large double blossoms contrast splendidly and make a charming display.

8 VERY FINE SORTS.

Blue Flag—Late. Flower beautiful shape; a distinct color of purple-blue.

Double Crown—Large and double flower. Dark cardinal-red with black shadings. One of the best.

Duke of York—Beautiful incurved flowers of poppy-red, broadly edged white.

Gloria Solus—Of enormous size and very double. Bright scarlet, edged yellow.

La Candeur—Large and double; wax-like pure white. Largely used for cemetery planting.

Ma Cousine—Of remarkable coloring. Carmine-violet, edged pink and flamed golden yellow and brick-red.

Rose La Reine—Fine rosy scarlet. A lovely color.

Yellow Rose—A magnificent sort, of very largest size and most perfect form. Deep, brilliant yellow.

Price 5c. each; the 8 for 20c.; 3 each 50c.; or 25c. doz.



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8 EXTRA FINE DOUBLE TUPLIPS.

Alba Maxima—Enormous flower, perfectly double like a Pæony, pure white in color, with delicate shadowy tinge of soft pink. Exceedingly fine.

Count of Leicester—Another very distinct and finely colored sort. Light orange, feathered yellow.

Marlage de Ma Fille—Immense flower of the most perfect shape and superb coloring. Currant-red, banded, striped, flaked and feathered with pure white.

Murillo—Large graceful flowers of flesh-white, bordered and clouded rose.

Queen Victoria—Blood-red. Very double.

Rex Rubrorum—Large double flower of deepest scarlet. Very double and perfect.

Rose Blanche—Large incurved white; most perfect shape.

Salvator Rose—Gigantic size, elegant shape and of the loveliest soft rosy color, with pure white stripes.

Price 5c. each; the 8 for 50c.; 3 each 75c.; or 35c. doz.
THE 16 SORTS FOR 10c.

Splendid Mixed Double Tulips—All colors and varieties, 25c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100; \$12 per 1,000.

1 MARIAGE DE MA FILLE.

2 LA CANDEUR

3 REX RUBRORUM.

4 MURILLO.

5 GLORIA SOLUS.



DARWIN TULIPS.

Darwin Tulips.

A new race of Tulips which produce only solid self colors and bloom early in May. The flowers are of great size like Gesneriana and are borne on tall graceful stems. The colors are exceedingly rich and varied, ranging through all the shades of rose, deep red, violet, purple-blues to coal black. They are probably the most showy class of tulips in cultivation, a bed of them producing an effect which for rich splendor is not surpassed by any other flower. A valuable novelty which all should try.

Mixed—All colors and shades, fine bulbs. Doz. 35c.; 100, \$2.25



SWEET SCENTED
TULIP.



VARIEGATED FOLIAGE
TULIP.

Variegated Foliage Tulips.

These Tulips are doubly desirable in that the foliage, as well as the blossoms, is very handsome. The broad green leaves are elegantly bordered or striped with white or creamy-yellow, which sets off the brilliancy of the blossoms to great advantage. For pots they are just superb, and bloom splendidly in mid-winter. For the garden they are novel.

Mixed—All colors, double and single, 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.

Sweet Scented Tulips.

A new class of Tulips, with a charming fragrance, as well as beauty and brilliancy. Customers will be delighted with them either for pots or garden.

Florentina—Large, golden-yellow; very sweet. Buds, when closed, look like an enormous Tea Rose.

Macrosila—Brilliant red, with dark, zone-like center, bordered yellow. Size of Tulip Gesneriana.

6c. each; the 2 for 10c.; 50c. per dozen.



"PICOTEE"
TULIPS.

Picotee Tulips.

These are quite new, and to our minds, the most exquisite of all. They bloom after the single early varieties, or about the same time as the Byblooms. Flowers very large and borne on tall, graceful stems, like Gesneriana. Each petal has a distinct border of bright crimson, which is most beautiful, and gives them the name of "Picotee." They are extra fine for winter blooming and for the garden, but they will show the most color in the garden.

Picotee White—Exquisite wavy petals of large size; pure white with a fine border of crimson, which makes the flower exceptionally beautiful.

Picotee Yellow—Golden yellow with crimson edge.

PRICE—5c. each; 6 (3 of each), for 25c.; 40c. per doz.



TULIP
GREIGI



TULIPA PERSICA

Tulipa Greigi.

Its large green leaves are variegated with black spots, while the flower, which is of the largest size, is clear, transparent scarlet, as clear and beautiful as a sheet of wax. No other Tulip has a color like it, and none are so strikingly beautiful. Its magnificent color shows up almost like a torch in a dark night. Splendid for pots or the open ground, being a hardy, rank grower, and early. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.

Tulipa Persica.

A rare and curious variety. A bulb will send up one stem, on which is borne two or three blossoms. These blossoms are golden-yellow in color, and open out flat, being, when so opened, perfectly star-shaped. Very pretty and interesting. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.

THE NARCISSUS.

The Narcissus is fast becoming a rival to the Hyacinth and Tulip. The massive spikes of the one and the vivid colors of the other are missing, but the Narcissus—the Daffodil of the poets—has charms of its own to counter-balance these. For cutting or wearing it is the best of the three, being by far the best vase flower of the spring. Most of the garden sorts are particularly showy in masses, and do not require frequent re-setting to keep in vigor and flower, needing no care, in fact, beyond the planting. Others of this family are among our best pot bulbs, their clustered stars and stately trumpets of white and cream, lemon, orange and yellow, giving variety, fragrance and warmth of color to our window gardens. In pots they may be had in bloom from Christmas until April. Out of doors, from the earliest to the latest, they last fully two months. Our collection is a particularly choice one and true to name. We offer our bulbs at a low price to encourage extensive planting. Try a few bulbs, both for the house and garden. They will prove so beautiful and increase so rapidly you will feel doubly repaid for your outlay. They can be grouped along the border of shrubberies, or at the foot of rockeries, or under trees. Everyone should have early, medium and late sorts, as well as some of each of different types.



NARCISSUS CORBULATA.

Narcissus Corbulata.

A rarely beautiful flower, both for winter blooming in

the house or for the garden. Three to six bulbs can be planted in an ordinary pot and will produce a charming lot of flowers during February and March. Each bulb bears 3 or 4 flowers at a time. 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 60c.



Single Narcissus.

The airy grace and refined beauty of the Single Narcissus has no superior and few equals among flowers. The beautiful trumpet forms are the height of floral beauty, and the colors harmonious and refined.

7 FINE NARCISSUS, CHEAP.

Leeds!—A lovely early sort, pure white perianth, straw cup. **Trumpet Major**—Golden yellow. One of the best for massing. Fine also for winter blooming. Early.

Scoticus or Carland—Perianth white, trumpet yellow. Extra for forcing.

Stella—A favorite vase or corsage flower. One of the best for house culture. Extra large, star-like flowers, creamy white, with clear yellow cup. Early.

Princept—Elegant large trumpet of a delicate canary yellow, and large, sulphur-white perianth. One of the most elegant and beautiful of all Narcissus. A very early bloomer, and extra fine either for the garden or for winter blooming in pots. Plant it largely.

Nana—The lovely dwarf golden Daffodil.

Incomparabilis Simplex—The fine old golden Daffodil.

Price, 4c. each; any 3 for 10c.; the 7 for 20c.; or 30c. per dozen.

7 GRAND AND RARE NARCISSUS.

Golden Spur—Flower $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 inches across and nearly as long. Petals of the perianth broad and smooth, long and widely flared trumpet, with deeply frilled and furrowed border.

Sir Walkins—Is of the chalice-flower type, or half-trumpet form. A gigantic flower, 4 or 5 inches across, with broad wing-like petals that shade from canary yellow at the tips to golden yellow base. Cup, golden yellow.

Golden Plover—Large golden yellow, round shape, great size and beauty.

Moschatus—Large, trumpet-shaped flower of a pure white color throughout. The blossoms are of exquisite shape and pendulous or nodding, unlike any other sort.

Emperor—Broad, rich yellow trumpet, perianth deep primrose. Its foliage is very strong and the blooms enormous.

Empress—Possesses the same gigantic size and fine form of Emperor, but with golden perianth and white trumpet. Superior to Horsefield, which it somewhat resembles.

Cyclamen Flowered—An elegant variety, bearing several white, Cyclamen-like flowers on a stem. Novel and perfectly elegant, especially for pots.

Price, 10c. each; any 3 for 25c.; the 7 for 50c., or 75c. per dozen.

MIXED NARCISSUS.

All sorts of Double and Single, many varieties, and will make a magnificent bed, blooming year after year. Per dozen, 30c.; per 100, \$1.50



DOUBLE NARCISSUS.

Double Narcissus are very attractive on account of their large, perfectly formed blossoms, long keeping qualities and early blooming. The fine, harmonious colors of white, lemon, orange, sulphur, straw, primrose, etc., are exquisite.

Aurantus—Beautiful Gardenia-like flowers, and very double. The large outer petals are sulphur yellow, the small center petals of sulphur and orange.

Albo Pleno Odorato—A pale white flower of medium size, but very double. Late.

Incomparable—Medium early. Large, handsome flowers, as double as a rose. Bright canary, interspersed with orange center petals.

Pumulus Plenus—Pure yellow; very double. The old-fashioned Daffodil.

Orange Phoenix—Nearly pure white outer petals. Center well filled with mixed white and deep orange petals.

Van Sion—Old, but unexcelled. Extra fine for cutting. Single star-like petals and long, double trumpet, filled with beautiful crimped petals; golden yellow.

PRICE of above finest Double sorts, 5c. each; the 6 for 25c.; any variety at 40c. per dozen.





Two Grand Narcissus.

For winter blooming few bulbs are so popular and so largely grown as the Paper White Grandiflora and Double Roman Narcissus. Realizing their importance we have, by special contract, secured from France a quantity of bulbs of each, which are of EXTRA SIZE AND STRENGTH, especially for pot culture, and the amount and beauty of bloom from these fine bulbs will be far greater than from ordinary ones.

Paper White Grandiflora—An improvement on the common Paper White, the flower being about twice the size, of beautiful star-like form, pearly whiteness and delicious fragrance. It is a very early and profuse bloomer, and can be had in full beauty at Christmas and New Year's. One of the very best of winter-blooming bulbs. Large select bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

Double Roman—This is grown so extensively in Palestine and Turkey that it is known as the Sacred Narcissus of Constantinople. In Jerusalem it is the leading favorite of all flowers. Flowers very double, pure white with yellow center and borne in large clusters. Its fragrance is superb, and it blooms very early and freely either in pots or the open ground. A grand winter bloomer. Large, select bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 20c.; 12 for 75c.

1 of each for 15c.; 3 of each for 40c.

Polyanthus Narcissus.

The Gem of Winter Flowers

They are considered the best of all Narcissus for pot culture, and by many esteemed the most beautiful. By starting the dry bulbs at intervals from September until January, a succession of flowers can be secured from Christmas until the first of May. No trouble to grow. Treat as you would Hyacinths. The flowers of this class are borne in large clusters and are exceedingly fragrant, like orange blossoms.

Grand Soile d'Or—This has every possible merit, without a fault. A medium early bloomer that lasts a full month in flower. Large clusters of exceedingly pretty flowers of a clear lemon with deep orange cup. Very fragrant.

Grootvorst—White with lemon cup. Very pretty and of good size. No variety possesses a richer fragrance than this.

Lord Ganning—Extra fine, of a deep or dark yellow color; the petals being a little lighter in shade than the cups.

Queen of Netherlands—Very early and extra large and fine. Pure white; exquisite fragrance.

Bathurst—Fine pale yellow, delicate and beautiful, and contrasts finely with other colors. It is in fact so distinct as to be necessary to make any collection complete.

Newton—Fine yellow with deep orange cup. Extra free bloomer and early.

PRICE—8c. each; the six for 40c. Any variety at 75c. per dozen.

Mixed Polyanthus Narcissus.

While we offer but 6 named sorts of Polyanthus Narcissus, there are 20 to 30 kinds grown and offered separately in Holland, all of which are represented in this mixture. Those who desire to plant a good many should by all means take a dozen or more mixed bulbs. The named sorts offered above are undoubtedly the best sorts grown, yet for variety we would recommend this mixture, which is made up especially for us, and is exceptionally good.

Mixed, all Colors and Varieties—20 to 30 sorts. 3 for 15c.; 7 for 30c.; 12 for 50c.





Narcissus Poeticus.

Well known and loved by all. Exquisite garden flowers yet equally valuable for winter blooming in pots, of which Ornatus is the grandest. Try them.

Poeticus, Pure White—With scarlet-edged crown. Very fragrant. Late. 3c. each; dozen, 30c.; per 100, \$1.50.

Poeticus Ornatus—Fine for either garden or pots. Blooms three weeks earlier than the old Poeticus, and is even larger and finer. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; doz., 35c.; 100, \$2.00.

Poeticus Poetorum—Pure white with orange-scarlet cup. 5c. each.

Poeticus, fl. pl. Double—The charming double Poeticus. Pure white with Jasmine fragrance. 4c. each; doz., 35c. The 4 for 15c.

Jonquils.

(SPECIES OF NARCISSUS).

These dainty flowers are a gleam of gold when in bloom and large clumps or masses of them are always admired. They are extra fine for pots, from their beautiful color, profusion and delightful fragrance and they flower very early in the window. In the garden they are perfectly hardy, and their lovely and delicious blossoms appear almost as soon as the Crocus. Plant a few at least. No garden complete without them.

Single—Very dainty blossoms of pure gold and such exquisite fragrance. Plant a good lot of them if possible. 3c. each; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.

Double—Perfect little golden roses of the most exquisite beauty and fragrance. Nothing finer for bouquets. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

Giant Odorous—We think this one of the finest yellow-flowered bulbs on our list. Flowers twice the size of other Jonquils, but retaining the same beautiful color and handsome shape, together with profusion of bloom. Its fragrance is lovely beyond description. This bulb is so eminently fine and so very cheap every garden should be supplied with it. The much prized Golden Sacred Lily is an improved variety of this exquisite Jonquil. 5c. each; 3 for 12c.; 12 for 40c.

1 each of the 3 sorts for 10c.



CHINESE SACRED LILY.

Sacred Lilies.

Of all winter flowers the Sacred Lilies are probably the most popular and universally grown. Few flowers equal them in beauty and fragrance and none in free growing and blooming qualities.

Chinese Sacred Lily—This is the one great winter-blooming bulb which is more eagerly sought after than any other. The bulbs are very large, and each one sends up from five to twelve spikes, which bear clusters of large, perfect, waxy-white blossoms, with a yellow center, and of a powerful and delicious fragrance which is not excelled by any flower. They grow well in pots of soil; but the most popular way of blooming them is the Chinese method, as follows: Fill a bowl or some similar vessel with pebbles, in which place the bulb, setting it about one-half its depth, so that it will be held firmly; then fill with water to the top of the pebbles, and place in a warm sunny window. The bulb will at once commence a rapid growth and bloom in two or three weeks. Our bulbs are expected to arrive from China in September. Orders for them will be booked and the bulbs sent out as soon as they arrive. To make sure of getting the best bulbs, order as early as possible this fall. 15c. each; 3 for 40c.; 6 for 75c.

Japanese Double Sacred Lily—This is very fine, with large clusters of double blossoms. Offered last year for the first and sure to become very popular. Pure white with orange center. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 12 for \$1.00.

Golden Sacred Lily—As compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep glowing yellow (see next page). 6c. each; 2 for 10c.; 6 for 25c.

1 each of the 3 for 30c.



DOUBLE AND SINGLE SACRED LILIES.

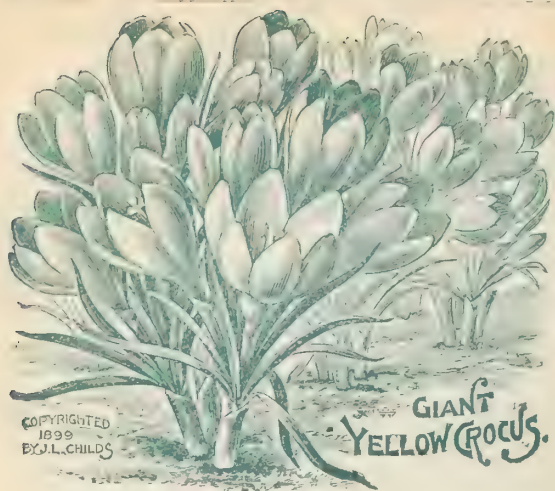


THE GREAT GOLDEN SACRED LILY

A Magnificent Winter Flower Which Each One Should Plant.

AS compared with the Chinese Sacred Lily this produces a much larger flower, though the bulb is smaller. Its fragrance is even better and its color a deep glowing yellow. Each bulb produces several spikes of bloom, and thrives in soil, sand, or pebbles and water, as described on opposite page. Bulbs bloom very quickly after planting and may always be had for Christmas and New Year's, or even earlier. No winter flower is more beautiful, fragrant, or easier grown. May be had in flower at any time all winter, stands freezing and any amount of abuse, and is sure to do well for anyone in any window. The bulbs are so cheap that three or four should be planted in a 5-inch pot or a bowl of pebbles and water. It is also perfectly hardy and may be planted in the garden, where it will bloom in spring, almost as early as the Crocus. This splendid flower is a highly improved species of the great Narcissus family, as is also the Chinese Sacred Lily. Fine large flowering bulbs, 6c. each; 2 for 10c.; 6 for 25c.

SPECIAL OFFER:—For only 30c. we will send one each of Chinese, Japanese Double and Great Golden Sacred Lilies.



Giant Flowered Crocus.

A few special extra large-flowering sorts of which we offer extra fine bulbs for winter blooming.

Giant White—Enormous pure white lily-like blossoms.

Giant Yellow—It is astonishing the amount of blooms a single bulb of this Crocus will furnish. The handsome flowers are very large and brilliant and a row of them is a wave of gold. Not another flower of its season makes such a display of brightness or becomes such a complete mass of bloom. More than twenty blooms have been counted from a single bulb. Bulbs are about the size of a Tulip and bloom extra early.

Giant Striped (Lord Fielding)—Great blossoms beautifully striped violet on white ground.

Giant Blue (Sir J. Franklin)—Largest and finest blue.

PRICE of above Crocus, 3c. each; 20c. per dozen. One each of the 4 sorts for 10c.; 3 each for 25c.; 12 each for 80c.

Giant Flowered Mixed—This strain is a special mixture of the best new sorts and improved seedlings, prepared for us in Holland by those who make a specialty of these bulbs. Only those sorts with the largest flowers and best colors are admitted in the mixture. Either for garden or house this Crocus mixture cannot be surpassed. Crocus for the house do not thrive under dry heat or gas, but do well in any sunny window of moderate temperature; they can even be grown in rooms almost destitute of fire heat. This strain of Crocus will be to our customers a revelation of beauty such as they cannot anticipate. Try them, both in the garden and in pots, by all means. Do not miss the beautiful treat they will afford you. 15c. per dozen; \$1.00 per 100.



Select Crocus.

The Crocus is the recognized harbinger of spring. Between the lull of late winter's tempest its brave little flowers first appear, minding not the least frosts or furies of snow. For six weeks its bright flowers smile saucily at us, quite sure of their welcome. Their cost is so trifling that all can afford to plant them freely. The Crocus has been much improved late years in size of blooms and variety of coloring. Crocus are extra fine for borders, etc., and are particularly charming dotted by twos and threes over the lawn. When up, they come in earliest spring and peep through the grass, as the wild flowers do in the meadow.

Fine Mixed Crocus—Of all colors. Fine, select bulbs, 10c. per dozen; 60c. per 100; \$4.00 per 1,000.



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IRIS
ATROPURPUREA.



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Iris.

A most desirable garden flower, and in many respects one of the most charming and satisfactory. These varieties are all perfectly hardy and fine for the garden. All are fine also for winter blooming.

Hispanica—Magnificent plants both for pots and the garden. They bloom early and profusely, and are exceedingly showy. The colors are brilliant and cover a large range of different shades and combinations. Four or five bulbs planted in a 5-inch pot make a beautiful display for a long time in winter, and are absolutely sure to bloom well in any situation, treated like Hyacinths. In the open ground they are perfectly hardy, increase rapidly, and make a magnificent display. It is really one of the most satisfactory of all Holland bulbs, and as they are very cheap we advise our customers to plant them largely both for winter blooming and in the garden.

All Colors Mixed 2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00.

Pure White—Large and fine.

Pure Yellow—Rich deep golden.

Blue—A fine rich shade.

1c. each; the 3 for 10c.;
25c. per doz.

Anglica—Very fine, with large broad-petaled flowers and rich colors. Blooms a little later than *Hispanica*. All colors, mixed, 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Persica—Exquisite large blossoms of a greyish color, beautifully marked with peacock spots. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.

Atropurpurea (The Black Iris)—Very large and beautifully shaped flowers of a deep black color, silky texture and luster. One of the finest novelties in years, its rare and fine color making it particularly attractive. 30c.

Histri—A lovely combination of colors. Deep sky-blue, with blotches and mottlings of white and yellow and tints of various shades. Perfectly exquisite flower and one possessing a perfume which for richness and peculiar delicacy is not excelled by any other flower. 20c.

Susiana—Perhaps the most beautiful Iris in the world. Delicate straw-colored ground, blotched with crimson, brown and black, and with thin blue veins. It is impossible to give any idea of its beauty. 20c.



BERMUDA BUTTERCUP.

Oxalis.

These varieties of Oxalis are all for winter blooming. They make the most beautiful hanging pots and baskets, producing a mass of flowers all winter, which, in brilliant and beautiful colors, are truly charming. Winter-blooming Oxalis are always sure to please. Plant five or six bulbs in a 6-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be set away to form roots like most other bulbs. They bloom during the entire winter, a thing we can expect of very few plants or bulbs, and are for that reason doubly worthy of a place in every collection of winter-blooming bulbs. Our bulbs are particularly fine, and the Grand Duchess, Bermuda Buttercup, and Veriscolor, will be found to be exceedingly showy and free blooming.

Bermuda Buttercup—A fine, robust-growing, large-flowering sort from Bermuda. Blooms in enormous panicles, each flower being as large as a silver half-dollar and of a clear bright yellow color. Bulbs commence blooming soon after planting and continue all winter without a break. Easily grown in any window and a most satisfactory winter-bloomer.

Multiflora Alba—A good sort producing pure white blossoms.

Bowii—Extra large brilliant red blossoms and luxuriant foliage. One of the very best.

Lutea Major—Bright golden yellow in large clusters. One of the most magnificent.

Veriscolor—The prettiest of all. Beautiful foliage and compact growth with an abundance of large pearly-white blossoms, each petal having a wide border of brilliant scarlet, a combination which is truly charming.

PRICE of all the above 5c. each; 3 of any one kind for 10c.; 12 for 30c. One bulb each of the 5 fine sorts, 20c.

Mixed Oxalis, 25 Sorts—A fine mixture of a great variety of fine winter-blooming sorts. 15c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.

Double Yellow Oxalis.

(DOUBLE BUTTERCUP).

This is exactly like the lovely Buttercup Oxalis except that the flowers are as double and perfect as a Rose. One of the finest flowers for winter blooming, a perfect gem in every respect. It continues in flower all winter. Fine true bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 60c.

We take great pleasure in offering and selling Oxalis, for we know that they will prove much more satisfactory than anyone can anticipate. The Grand Duchess particularly are superb.



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The Grand Duchess Oxalis.

(See Sketch on Cover).

This is entirely new, offered last year for the first time. There is no doubt of its being the grandest Oxalis, and one of the most beautiful and taking winter flowers it is possible to have. Blossoms immense, 3 inches across, borne well above the foliage, and of the most lovely pink color; leaves, large, clover-shaped and handsome. A most persistent bloomer, remaining constantly in flower from November to June. Surely one of the most exquisite and satisfactory of all winter-blooming bulbs. We have two colors to offer, bright pink and pure white.



Grand Duchess Pink—Enormous size, bright rosy-pink. Finest novelty last year, and was widely advertised. It is one of the best and most beautiful flowers for winter.

Grand Duchess White—New; pure snow white. A grand contrast to the above.

PRICE—10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 12 for 90c. 3 each of the two sorts for 10c.



Freessias.

A new class of Bulbs, splendidly adapted to winter blooming, and are, we believe, the most popular winter-blooming Bulbs for amateurs. They are always sure to succeed and bloom elegantly for anyone in any situation, and the great beauty and fragrance of the flowers are everywhere admired, almost as no other winter-bloomer is. The blossoms or buds when cut and placed in vases of water will keep perfect two weeks. In pots they commence blooming early and continue for a long time, the stems branching freely and producing several clusters of bloom in succession. Four to six bulbs can be planted in a 5-inch pot. They commence growth immediately after planting and need not be put away to form roots like Hyacinths, unless it is more convenient to do so. Planting successively from September to November will give a succession of bloom through the winter. We cannot too earnestly urge customers to plant this charming winter flower. Their free growth, abundant bloom, delicate beauty and charming fragrance will be a surprise and delight to all. The bulbs we supply are extra large and strong.

Various Colored Grandiflora—This grand new strain is the finest of all Freessias, possessing tints, colors and variegations not before seen. Not only are the white and yellow colors, seen, but pink, orange, violet, primrose, canary and some purple shades so deep and rich as to be almost red. The flowers are of gigantic size and borne in extra large clusters. The fragrance is rich and powerful. All colors mixed. 5c. each; 6 for 20c.; 12 for 35c.; 25 for 60c.

Refracta Alba—Pure white, very sweet and popular. Fine large bulbs. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per doz.; \$1.25 per 100.

Leichtlini Major—Rich orange-yellow and white. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Giant Bermuda—A magnificent strain. Flowers very large and freely produced. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per doz.; \$1.50 per 100.

Mammoth French—Bulbs of enormous size. The magnitude of bloom which one of these bulbs will give will be perfectly astonishing. For winter blooming they are immense. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.



Allium.

Neapolitanum—Florists find it indispensable, its pearly-white blossoms lasting so long, and its long stems and airy grace fitting it for all cut-flower work. Other people like it because it is so sure to bloom and so daintily pretty. It is hardy out of doors in a sheltered location, but indoors is one of the easiest of all bulbs to grow. Three or four bulbs can be placed in a 4-inch pot. The bulbs and foliage are small, but the stems rise to a height of eighteen inches, bearing beautiful umbels of starry flowers that remain perfect for a month or more.

Hermetti—Like the above, but of a pinky-white color.

Moly—Bright golden yellow.

PRICE—2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.; 100 for \$1.00. Three each of the above three sorts for 15c.



Scilla Siberica.

Hardy and fine. Blooms at the very edge of winter, and laughs at storm and sleets. Beautiful spikes of deepest blue flowers, freely produced and for a long time. Everyone who possesses a foot of ground ought to grow this. It should always be planted in groups, either in house or open ground. Nothing finer for pots. 2 for 5c.; 15c. per doz.; \$1.00 per 100.



Triteleia Uniflora.

This is the "Starflower," now becoming so popular for both winter and spring blooming. The pretty starry blooms, each more than an inch across, are borne on stiff stalks well above the recumbent foliage. The flowers are white, tipped and faintly striped lilac-blue, and remarkably sweet-scented. A fine window plant if several bulbs are planted to a pot, as they bloom steadily for two months. Out-of-door they form one of the neatest of all spring edgings, increasing rapidly until they form a matted row that from early spring until early summer, is one mass of starry blooms that are very fine. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 15c.



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Crown Imperials.

This magnificent bulb of gigantic size breaks ground with the Crocus, and the strong flower-stems at once attract attention. They grow so rapidly that in a few days they stand three feet high, crowned with a tuft of elegant foliage and half a dozen large, bell-shaped, drooping flowers. These blossoms are as large and beautiful as Lilies. A grand bulb for early blooming.

Single Red—Large and early	20
Single Yellow—Clear and fine	20
Crown Upon Crown—A double crown of blossoms.....	25
Double Red—Rare and fine	60
Double Yellow—Rare and fine	60



Snowdrops.

The earliest flower that blooms, and of such hardness that it minds neither sleet nor snow. Exceedingly graceful and pretty, its nodding white flowers touched with green. Snowdrops bloom a few days before the Crocus and Siberian Scilla, but last until these are nearly gone. It is especially fine when planted in clumps and masses to contrast with the deeply blue masses of the Scilla. Much used also for lawns.

Elwesii, The Giant Snowdrop—As we now, March 20th, sit at our desk with a dainty little bunch of this Snowdrop before us, picked from a large bed of it on the lawn, we can fully realize what a gem it is. The grace and beauty of the large blossoms is enchanting, but what can we say of its fragrance, it is rich and so delicate, unlike any other flower, and really second to none. This fine new Snowdrop was introduced recently from the mountains of Smyrna. It is three times as large and fine as the common Snowdrop, and a great acquisition, either for the garden or for pots. For winter blooming it is just superb, its large, snowy flowers appearing in profusion, and showing great beauty and airy grace. Price, 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for 85c.

Double Giant—A double form of large-flowering Snowdrop. Very beautiful. 4c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

Anemones.

Very beautiful and brilliant spring flowering bulbs, which should be found in all gardens. They possess a beautiful range of very fine colors, such as brilliant scarlet, red, blue, rose, striped, carnation, etc. For pot culture they are very fine indeed. The time has now come for Anemones to be grown extensively, both for winter blooming and for the garden. For either purpose they are magnificent.

Double Mixed—All colors. 3 for 5c.; 15c. per dozen.

Single Mixed—Large blossoms of great beauty and intensity of color. 3 for 5c.; 15c. per doz.



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CYCLAMEN

Cyclamen Giganteum.

Few pot plants are so desirable as Cyclamen, especially for winter blooming. Though they are universal favorites, they are not seen in general cultivation to the extent that they should be, considering their ease of culture, great beauty and long season of bloom. Bulbs commence blooming in the fall and continue in the greatest profusion till June, each flower keeping perfect a month before fading, and a good bulb will show at all times from 12 to 50 well developed blossoms. They are of the most delicately beautiful colors, ranging from dark red to white, delicate blush and pink shades prevailing. Often the flower will be spotted and marked, or in other ways showing two distinct colors. All colors mixed, fine home-grown bulbs, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.



Giant Ranunculus.

Very brilliant and their long, wiry stems fit them admirably for cutting, and for late spring bedding they have few equals, blooming, as they do, so freely, and bridging over the gap between the Tulips and the early garden flowers. For this purpose plant them three or four inches apart and two inches deep, with the claws downward. They bear the most lovely flowers imaginable—pink, white, black, yellow, red, blush and variegated, each about two inches in diameter, and as double and as perfectly imbricated as a Dahlia or Rose. After the foliage turns yellow the bulbs should be lifted and not replaced until late in the fall, or they will spring up before winter. Always choose a sheltered location. For house culture plant five or six bulbs in a 5-inch pot, and treat as Hyacinths. They are charming winter-bloomers.

Mont Blanc—Large and double; pure white.

Fire Ball—Fine double, scarlet.

Apollo—Magnificent yellow.

Black Turban—Large, double, black; odd and superb.

Belladonna—Rose, black edge.

Rockolico—Fine spotted, new and fine.

Robinson—Fine pure rose; extra.

PRICE—4c. each; 3 for 10c.; the 7 for 20c.; 30c. per dozen.

Giant French Mixed—A grand new strain of large flowering habit, and bright colors. Price 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.



Ixias.

The Ixias produce their beautiful flowers in spikes, and are of the most dazzling and brilliant colors and sure to attract great attention. It is only a few years that they have been grown in this country to any extent, but in that time, like the Freesia, they have become very popular. For pot culture in the house they give great satisfaction, being of easy culture and free bloomers. Half a dozen bulbs may be planted in a five-inch pot, and the display will be magnificent. For open-ground culture give them winter protection with leaves or straw. They are very cheap, and all lovers of odd and beautiful flowers should certainly add them to their collection.

Mixed Sorts—Our mixed Ixias are particularly fine, and comprise more than sixty fine varieties of all colors, shades, markings and variegations. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Sparaxis.

Sparaxis are much like Ixias, except they bear their flowers more drooping than in erect spikes. The blossoms are very large and open flat, presenting some of the most curious and beautiful combinations of colors to be found. Their exceeding beauty at once captivates all beholders, and it is difficult to find a pot of flowers which will be more generally admired or bloom better than a pot of these fascinating Sparaxis. They require the same treatment as Ixias or Freesias, which is simply to plant several bulbs in a pot of good soil, set them away, and when growth commences bring them out and set in a sunny window.

Mixed, all Colors—More than fifty finest sorts, representing all colors and combinations of fantastic shades; very beautiful. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

Ornithogalum Arabicum.

It is a native of Arabia. Bulb large and solid, closely resembling that of Hyacinth, and requiring exactly the same culture; leaves long and narrow, flower spikes 18 to 24 inches high, strong and graceful, bearing an immense cluster of large, pearly-white flowers, having a jet-black center. The illustration gives a good idea of its great beauty. The individual flowers keep perfect many weeks before fading, so that for more than a month this grand spike of bloom is in full glory. Its durability is almost without equal among flowers. Add to this its delicate aromatic fragrance and we have a winter-bloomer which all must admit stands without a rival. Its culture is the easiest, as it will grow in any position in any window. A bulb can be planted in a four-inch pot, or several in a larger pot or box. Extra large bulbs, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.



CHIONODOXA, OR GLORY OF THE SNOW.

Glory of the Snow.

Once to see this floral gem is always to want it. Resembling somewhat Scilla Siberica, it yet differs from it and has a charm peculiarly its own. The purest, clearest tones of blue are to be found in these flowers that appear so early that they are often overtaken by winter's last frosts and become, literally, Glories in the Snow. Blue is always a scarce color among house plants, and as the Chionodoxa succeed well in the house, a pot or two of them should be grown in every window. Their greatest value, however, is for garden planting. Here they increase rapidly, and soon form great clumps that in early spring are a cloud of blue flowers in dainty sprays just long enough for cutting or to wear. They are natives of high mountain regions, and perfectly hardy in the coldest part of the country. Plant two inches deep.

Mixed Sorts—2 for 5c.; 5 for 10c.; 12 for 20c.; 100 for \$1.00.



**Fritillaria Meleagris.**

The newer varieties of this charming bulbous plant produce flowers of great and peculiar beauty and they are really among the most desirable of all fall bulbs for any purpose. They are superb for flowering in pots during winter, and for early spring blooming in the garden. The large, curiously colored flowers always attract great attention. They are of various colors and shades, but all are regularly and distinctly checkered. 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

**Calceolortus**

The flowers are very large, borne on long stems and are of the most charming butterfly colors, white, yellow, buff, crimson, purple, spotted and shaded in a charming manner. For winter bloom they require only to be potted (4 or 5 in a five-inch pot), and treated like Hyacinth or Crocus. When in bloom they will be a marvel of beauty and last a long time.

Splendid Mixed—All colors and varieties. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 25c.

**Erythronium Hartwegii.**

This new variety is the finest yet introduced and should be extensively planted for winter blooming as well as for the garden. Perfectly hardy. Flowers very large, light yellow, borne on long, slender stems, each bulb sending up 5 or 6 blooms as shown in cut. Foliage as well as the blossoms is exceedingly handsome and several bulbs will make a most unique and graceful pot of bloom. Fine large bulbs, 6c. each; 3 for 15c.; 12 for 50c.

**Camassia Esculenta.**

A beautiful bulbous plant with tall spikes of fine, blue flowers in late spring. Several can be planted in a pot together for winter blooming, and will make a fine display. In the garden they increase rapidly and soon show great masses of their star-like flowers. Fine to cut for vases or large bouquets. A remarkably fine winter-bloomer often called Celestial Lily. Try a good lot of them, both for pots and the garden. 3c. each; 4 for 10c.; 12 for 25c.

**Brodiaeas.**

These are well adapted for winter blooming. The flowers are of various forms, colors and sizes, all exceedingly interesting and beautiful, and of the easiest culture. In the open ground they are hardy with slight protection, but their greatest value is for winter blooming in pots. They are so little known or cultivated that they are exceedingly interesting as pot plants. Their flowers are odd and beautiful. Mixed bulbs of all sorts, 2 for 5c.; 20c. per dozen.

**Lily-of-the-Valley.**

We offer strong imported pups that have been grown especially for winter blooming. Plant half a dozen in a four-inch pot, keep rather cool until well started, then bring to the light and warmth, and keep freely supplied with water. You will be surprised at the rapidity of growth and the size of their lovely, fragrant bells. 6 for 25c.; 12 for 40c.; 30 for \$1.00.

**Star of Bethlehem.**

A superb bulb for winter blooming in pots, or for the garden. Perfectly hardy, and blooms early in spring. Flowers star-shaped, pure white and borne in clusters. For pots it blooms a long time in mid-winter and is very attractive. Try it by all means, both for garden and for pots; it will be sure to please you greatly. 2 for 5c.; 12 for 20c.

**Snowflake.**

The airily poised blossoms of the Snowflake are exceedingly graceful. The snowy bells are touched at each petal tip with freshest green, a contrast most beautiful. Can be grown in a cool window, in the border, or at the foot of the rockery. Grow about nine inches high. For pots they are good, but do not bloom early. Give them time to develop slowly and they will be superb. 5c. each; 3 for 10c.; 12 for 35c.



New Sweet Scented Calla, *Fragrans*.

Probably the greatest novelty of last year. It seems to be identical with Childs' Dwarf Everblooming, possessing the additional charm of delicious fragrance. This new Calla was originated by Luther Burbank, of California, who speaks of it thus: "The plants are of medium size, compact in growth and bloom profusely. It has not only a most charming flower produced in a profusion never before surpassed, but also with a genuine, sweet, lasting fragrance all its own, but similar to the fragrance of Violets or Lilies." With us it has proved a great success and we have a large stock of it. The description of our Dwarf Everblooming is a correct description of *Fragrans* also, adding only its additional merit of sweet scent. Sold last year at \$1.00 each. Fine plants 25c. each.

New Dwarf Calla, *Little Gem*.

All that need be said about this sterling novelty is that it is a perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high, and producing perpetually very large snow-white blossoms. It begins to bloom when only a few inches high in a three or four-inch pot and a well-established plant in a large pot is never without flowers, summer or winter, and sometimes shows a dozen at once. The greatest plant novelty of late years and yet the sensation of the day. Our stock is TRUE and the largest in the world. The plant for everybody. Price of fine plants, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

California Giant Calla.

Large-flowering Callas, which come from California, are now extensively grown and very popular. The bulbs are of large size, start quickly, and are soon in bloom. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



CHILDS'
DWARF
EVERBLOOMING
CALLA

Childs' Dwarf Everblooming Calla.

This is of a dwarf habit, and does not grow tall and scraggly like the old variety but is strong and compact, with a great abundance of lustrous dark green foliage. It is a true everbloomer, its flowers appearing in great abundance both summer and winter when grown in pots, or it will bloom profusely all summer long in open ground, and being potted in September will continue blooming without intermission all winter. The same plant will grow and bloom for years without once ceasing, and the quantity of bloom which a good plant will produce is astonishing. It is estimated that six plants of the old sort will not produce so many flowers in the course of a year as will one plant of this new dwarf variety. A large plant is hardly ever without one or more flowers, and its dwarf compact habit makes it a much more desirable pot plant than the old variety. Its flowers are of large size and snowy white in color. Price—First size, extra large, 25c. each, 3 for 60c.; second size, 15c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER—One each of the four callas offered on this and opposite page for only 60c.

Calla, Little Gem.

A perfect miniature Calla, growing 8 or 12 inches high, and producing very large snow-white blossoms. It is in truth a perfect little gem, 15c. each. See opposite page.



TWO GRAND LILIES.

LILIUM HARRISII and **CANDIDUM** are the two best of all Lilies for winter blooming in pots and certainly among the most important of all flowers for winter decoration. Recognizing their great importance, we have for several years made special efforts to secure from our growers in Bermuda and France, extra strong bulbs of enormous size especially for pot culture, such as will produce an astonishing amount of extra large and fine blooms. In this we have been very successful and our extra strong bulbs of these two lovely Lilies have become famous for the number and beauty of the blossoms they produce. Our stock is this season finer than ever before, and we offer these special select bulbs with the assurance that they will prove more than satisfactory.

Harrisii, or the Bermuda Easter Lily.—Large, pure white, trumpet-formed flowers, of great beauty and fragrance, as a winter-bloomer nothing can surpass it. Plant in six to eight-inch pots of good soil and treat like other winter blooming bulbs. It is impossible to describe the charming beauty of this Lily as a pot plant. Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 50c. each. Small bulbs, 20c. each; 3 for 60c.

Candidum.—This lovely Lily produces from six to thirty lovely waxy-white blossoms, which have the most delicious fragrance of all Lilies. It is one of the most charming winter flowers and sure to bloom freely. Treat same as **L. Harrisii**. Extra strong bulbs of enormous size, 30c. each; 3 for 75c. Small bulbs, 15c. each.

SPECIAL OFFER.—For 65c. we will send one bulb of each of these two Grand Lilies.



Fine Lilies.

The brush cannot paint or the pen portray the exquisite purity and delicacy, yet magnificent grandeur, of the stately Lily. It is the plus ultra of floral beauty, and we urge our friends to each year add a few Lilies to their collection. No other flower will so adorn our homes when in bloom, and they constantly improve after planting. We feel sure that if our readers could see a good collection of from 20 to 40 different sorts in bloom they would never rest until they had a goodly number of their own. As a rule, Lilies are of the easiest cultivation, especially the following, which have been carefully selected as the hardest, handsomest and best. We grow at Floral Park about five acres of Lilies, and the bulbs we offer are large, healthy, vigorous and cheap.

Grand Speciosum Lilies.

The Speciosums are the hardiest, most robust and free-flowering of all Lilies, not omitting the old Tiger Lily, while in beauty they are second to none. The magnificence of their blossoms cannot be described.

Rubrum—Deep rose, freely spotted crimson and mottled white; perfectly exquisite, 10c. each; 3 for 25c.; 7 for 50c.

Melpomene—Words cannot describe the beauty of this variety. Frosted white, spotted, clouded and bearded with pinkish crimson. Petals deeply recurved and widely bordered. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.

Praecox—Large, perfect and beautiful. Frosted white, with a tinge of blush at the top of petals. The blush-like fringe in each petal adds to its beauty. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Monstrosium Album—Broad, flat stems and immense heads of flowers, often fifty in a cluster. Pure snow white. 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 7 for 75c.

Monstrosium Roseum—Like the above, except in color, which is a fine bright rose. 20c. each.

Henryi—New and exceedingly rare. Tall, strong grower, producing flowers in great profusion of a fine apricot-yellow. The yellow Speciosum, \$1.00 each.

Opal—We had thought that no Speciosum could exceed Melpomene, but this new Lily is even larger, grander, and, if possible, more richly colored. Like the opal, for which it is named, the eye drinks in its lovely tints with delight. To say that it is frosted, glistening white, delicately clouded and suffused with rosy blush and spotted with rosy scarlet, is to convey but a slight idea of its perfect loveliness. The deeply recurved petals are snowy white at the tip, gradually deepening in color to the base of each petal, which is blotched with a raised, moss-like fringe, which glistens like diamonds. The flower is very large. 50c. each; 3 for \$1.25.

One each of the above 7 sorts for \$2.00.



Ten Beautiful Lilies Cheap.

Our enormous stocks of home grown Lilies enable us to offer the following fine varieties remarkably cheap. It is a great opportunity for a good collection at a small cost.

Candidum—A well known hardy garden Lily; snow-white fragrant blossoms; one of the best varieties for forcing and an established favorite.

Elegans—Fine mixed colors.

Longiflorum—White, trumpet formed, very fragrant. A lovely Lily, being almost exactly like the Bermuda Easter Lily, but blooming a little later, and hardy.

Pardalinum—(LEOPARD LILY)—Rich scarlet and yellow flowers, spotted with rich brown. Robust and free flowering. A superb Lily and one which will give the greatest possible satisfaction. Succeeds in all situations. No garden complete without it.

Superbum—Three to six feet high, flowers from five to forty, nodding; brilliant orange-red; blooms in July.

Speciosum Rubrum—(LANCIPOLIUM)—Large, wide flowers recurving more or less at the tips. Among the choicest of all Lilies, and perhaps the most robust and the most radiantly beautiful. Very fragrant and hardy. Lovely rose and white spotted crimson.

Tigrinum fl. pl.—(DOUBLE TIGER LILY)—This is a plant of stately habit, growing from 4 to 5 feet high; foliage is dark green and very long, bearing an immense number of double, bright orange-red flowers, spotted with black.

Tigrinum, Splendens—Improved Tiger Lily.

Umbellatum—One of the very best, blooming in June or July, with very large perfect flowers. Colors range from black-red, through all the shades of crimson, rose, yellow, buff, apricot, etc., many being finely spotted and variegated. 25 finest sorts mixed. Per dozen, \$1.00.

Wallacei—This Lily is very floriferous, each bulb throwing up from 4 to 6 flower stems, each one of which is crowned with 8 to 10 beautiful upright blossoms, of a delicate, bright apricot color. It is very perfect in form and a most desirable sort. 60c. per dozen.

Price, 10c. each; 6 for 50c.; the 10 for 85c. All home-grown.

Rare Lilies.

Auratum—(THE GOLDEN BANDED LILY OF JAPAN)—We can say that this is the grandest of all Lilies, and certainly the most popular. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Brownii—A grand Lily, but very rare. The large, wax-like flowers are chocolate-purple on the outside, snowy white inside. Stamens a rich chocolate-brown. Blossoms large and trumpet shaped. 50c. each.

Longiflorum Variegatum—The leaves of this variety are most beautifully variegated, white and green, making a plant of great beauty. Sold a few years ago at \$5.00 each. 60c. each.

Batemaniiæ—Pure apricot color, without spots. A much prized Japanese variety. It is a near relative to the rare and beautiful *Leichtlini*. 20c. each.

Excelsum—This remarkable Lily attains the wonderful height of 5 to 6 feet. It produces from 8 to 12 nodding, rich apricot-hued blooms; has a delightful perfume, and its stately form makes it attract attention wherever grown. You will be delighted with it. Makes a fine pot Lily for winter blooming. 60c. each.

Elegans Flore Pleno—A rare sort, bearing double blossoms of a salmon color, spotted black. It is not only very handsome, but its extreme rarity and novelty makes it a handsome addition to any collection. 40c. each.

Tenuifolium—The lovely Coral Lily of Siberia. A great beauty. The brightest of all Lilies. Grows 20 inches high, with finely cut foliage, slender stems and beautiful shaped flowers of a shining coral-red. One ought to grow them by the dozen, they are so fine for cutting, and make such grand clumps for the lawn. Blooms very early. Having grown an enormous stock of this exquisite Lily we are prepared to offer it at the exceedingly low price of 15c. each; 3 for 35c.; 6 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.



Seed of Choice Greenhouse and Window Plants.

We offer at special low prices the following list of choice Seed of Greenhouse and Window Plants. Per pkt.

ASPARAGUS SPRINGERI Fine foliage.....	5
AZALEA INDICA Mixed.....	10
ABUTILON , Choicest Hybrids, Mixed All colors. Blooms soon after planting.....	10
ACACIA , Choicest Sorts, Mixed.....	5
BEGONIA , Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids Largely grown for bedding purposes, or for summer conservatory decoration. Blossoms very large and showy.....	10
Tuberous-Rooted Hybrids , Double Very fine.....	10
Mixed Seed Many kinds. Grand for window culture	10
Vernon —A grand new perpetual blooming sort.....	10
COMMELINA SELLOWIANA Fine flowering, "Wandering Jew".....	5
CALCEOLARIA , Dwarf Hybrids Large flowering, mixed colors.....	10
CHRYSANTHEMUM , Extra Choice All colors and varieties, mixed.....	10
CYCLAMEN , Grandiflorum Choicest mixed colors....	10
CINERARIA , Dwarf Hybrids Large flowering, mixed colors.....	10
Double Extra Choice , Mixed.....	20
CARNATION , [Fancy Extra Choice , Mixed—Variegated colors.....	10
Monthly , or Perpetual Tree Mixed greenhouse varieties.....	10
Hardy Hybrids Hardy free bloomers. Extra fine for the garden or for pots. Many fine colors mixed.....	10
Margaret Fine early bloomers.....	5
COLEUS , Rainbow Leaved—Extra choice mixed Hybrids.....	10
FERN —Mixed; many sorts.....	10
FUCHSIA Fine mixed, all sorts.....	10
CLOXINIA —Choicest mixed Hybrids; magnificent.....	10
GERANIUM , Zonale Extra Choice —Mixed, from finest new varieties.....	10
Apple Scented —Very delightfully scented leaves....	10
Double Mixed Saved especially for us from the finest new sorts and will produce some of the best double varieties in existence.....	20
Bronze and Silver Tri-Color —Fine foliage sorts.....	20
Pelargonium , or Lady Washington —Fine mixed... ..	20
Ivy —Fine double flowered; ivy leaved; grand.....	20
HELIOTROPE , Leomines Hybrids —Flowers soon from seed. Grandest of all Heliotropes.....	10
LANTANA —Fine mixed colors.....	10
LEMON VERBENA —Everybody knows the Lemon Verbena, and everyone ought to have a few specimens of it; its fragrant foliage is so fine to use in bouquets and other floral work.....	10
MUSA ENSETTE —Giant Banana.....	10
PALM , Mixed Sorts—Many varieties.....	10
Filifera or Weeping —Very fine and easily grown.....	10
PASSIFLORA —Fine mixed.....	5
PRIMULA , Chinensis , Mixed—Very good; from a fine collection.....	5
Fimbriata —Extra fine; large flowering mixed.....	10
Fimbriata Filicifolia —Mixed; (fern-leaved) beautiful cut-leaved foliage.....	10
Fimbriata Clobosa —Mixed colors. This is a new strain of Fimbriata, with many unusually large flowers of great substance and colors; very clear and pleasing. Colors, pure white with large lemon eye; deep red; carmine, white and pink, striped, flaked with other colors, etc. This strain is an extra fine one for pot culture, to many more pleasing than even the double varieties.....	10
Fimbriata Cristata Hybrids —Fine new hybrid strain with crisped foliage and producing a great diversity of colors from white to deep crimson. We believe that this new strain of Chinese Primrose will become very popular on account of its distinct appearance and large blossoms of distinct and bright colors.....	10
Fimbriata, fl. pl. , Double , Mixed Colors —The double Primulas are among the choicest of all winter plants; are the admiration of all who see them. All colors, mixed, an extra choice strain.....	20
Obconica Hybrids —Strong plants of this are ever-bloomers, flowering for ten or twelve months at a time, without a day's intermission. Flowers in umbels well above the foliage, white, tinted, lilac, rose-pink, etc. Quite unlike other Primulas, being a distinct species.....	10
SMILAX	5
VIOLET —Mixed sorts.....	10

Choice Vegetables

FOR FALL AND WINTER SOWING SOUTH.

	pkt.	oz.
BEEF , Edmund's Blood Turnip	5	10
" Eclipse	5	10
" Bastians' Blood Turnip	10	15
CARROT , Danvers	5	15
" Imported Long Orange	5	10
CAULIFLOWER , Early Snowball	10	2.00
CABBAGE , Childs' Bismarck	10	25
" Early L. I. Wakefield	10	30
" True Surehead	10	20
" Long Island , extra fine.....	10	20
" Marvin's Savoy	10	30
CELERY , White Plume	10	25
" Giant Pascal	10	30
" Golden Self Blanching	10	30
CUCUMBER , Childs' Early Beauty	10	30
" Long China	5	20
" Everbearing	5	15
" Bennett's White Spine	10	20
" Japanese Climbing	10	25
ECC PLANT , Improved N. Y. Purple	10	40
KALE , Dwarf German	5	10
LEEK , Giant Italian	5	25
KOHL-RABI , Extra Early Vienna	5	30
LETTUCE , Half Century	10	25
" Tomhannock	10	20
" Denver Market	5	15
" New Hanson	5	15
MUSKMELON , Emerald Green	10	15
WATERMELON , Duke Jones	10	20
ONION , Large Red Weathersfield	5	15
" Yellow Globe Danvers	5	10
" Extra Early Red	5	15
" Silver King	10	20
" Early Radish or Barletta	10	20
PEPPER , Childs' Celestial	10	30
" Ruby King	5	25
PARSLEY , Double Extra Curled	5	10
SP NACH , American Savoy	5	10
SALSIFY	5	10
RADISH , French Breakfast	5	10
" Early Mammoth	5	10
" 20 Day Express	10	30
" 12 Months Mixture	10	15
SQUASH , Crookneck	5	10
TOMATO , Childs' Picture Rock	10	20
" Diadem	10	25
" Ignotum	5	20
TURNIP , Early Flat Dutch	5	10
" Milan	5	10
" Carter's Elephant Swede	5	10
" Improved American Ruta Baga	5	10
TOBACCO , Persian Muscatelle	10	15



Mammoth Sage.

A plant of this new Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common sorts. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower, covering a space of more than three feet in diameter, rarely flowers and never runs to seed, and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Fine plants, 15c. each; 3 for 50c.; 6 for 50c.; 15 for \$1.00.



SEEDS FOR WINTER BLOOMING.

We have made extensive experiments with all quick-growing annuals, and to our surprise and delight find that some of them make the most beautiful pots of winter flowers that it is possible to have. Of the following kinds, seeds can be sown in pots of good soil at any time from November 1st to January 1st. They will germinate quickly, grow rapidly and be in bloom in a surprisingly short time, and the pleasure which they will afford it is impossible to anticipate. It is not possible to find any winter flower which will in true beauty and loveliness surpass some of these. They bloom much sooner in pots than they do in the garden and the flowers are larger and handsomer, while the plants are much smaller and more compact. Do not fail to try a few of them. They cost so little and are so lovely.

Alyssum, Little Gem—An improved variety; much larger flowers of a pure white, and if possible more floriferous than the old Sweet. Plant is also more robust and spreading, a single plant forming a thick mat of flowers and foliage 12 to 15 inches across. Three and four hundred spikes of flowers in full bloom can be counted on a good specimen plant at one time. Elegant for winter blooming in pots. Per pkt., 10c.

Cherianthus, Fairy Queen—A lovely little flower which all should possess. It commences to bloom within a month after the seed is sown, either in the garden or in pots. The flowers are borne in spikes and are very gay and pretty, being of bright crimson and lilac colors. Per pkt., 5c.

Diamond Flower—It is one of the loveliest little annuals known, rarely growing over two inches in height, and forms a tuft of beautiful foliage which is completely smothered in a profusion of white and violet blossoms glistening like diamonds. It will be in bloom within a month from the time of sowing the seed at any time of year. For pot culture in winter it is just superb. Sprinkle a few seeds in a small pot or saucer, or in pots where other plants are growing, and within a month you will have a most charming mat of foliage and flowers—covering the surface of the soil like moss. Pkt. 10c.

Lobelia Goldeise—A compact, low-growing variety, the foliage of which is golden-yellow and is most charmingly set off by hundreds of blossoms of the brightest, deepest blue, with a pure white eye. Per pkt., 10c.

Marigold, Legion of Honor—A dwarf gem, and one of the prettiest pot plants, blooming in a month after the seed starts. Attracts great attention. Per pkt., 5c.

Morning Glories—For winter blooming—Seed sown at any time during the winter will commence blooming in about thirty days and when the plants are only three to four inches high, and continue for months. The flowers are very large and of varied and brilliant colors, and remain open all day, from morning until night, making as pretty a pot of flowers as you can imagine. The cnt represents a pot of them forty days from the time of sowing the seed. They are in no respect hard to grow and will succeed in any window, and we are sure that no plant or bulb can be purchased for double the price, which will give so much real beauty and enjoyment, and for so long a period during winter, as will a pot of these lovely Morning Glories. Mixed seed of all colors, 10c. per pkt.

Shoo-Fly Plant—An important new plant of the Physalis family. It is claimed that flies will not stay in a room where it is growing if they can conveniently escape, though what there is about plants that repulses them is not clear, as the leaves or flower has no odor. Aside from this most remarkable quality it is a most beautiful flowering plant, and blooms in a very short time, (60 days) from seed. It is particularly valuable as a winter bloomer, the blossoms being large, cup-shaped, and of lovely light blue color with a white center. It is a profuse bloomer all winter long, and a more charming plant it will be difficult to find. Pkt., 10c.



Brachycome, or Swan River Daisy—This grows about a foot in height, showing an abundance of beautiful fern-like foliage, and a great quantity of elegant, daisy-like flowers of various colors, blue, white, pink, etc. Pkt., 5c.

Eschscholtzia—This is an attractive pot plant both in foliage and flower, and blooms profusely during the winter. The foliage is handsome, being fern-like, while the flowers are like a tulip and nearly as large, and of a most beautiful deep brilliant yellow color. Per pkt., 5c.

Cynoglossum Linifolium—This grows very quickly from seed and is soon in bloom, producing large sprays of elegant white flowers, which are unsurpassed for bouquets and other floral work. Per pkt., 5c.

Phacella Campanularia—As a pot plant this is one of the most strikingly beautiful that can be had during winter, particularly on account of its rare and lovely color. It grows 12 to 15 inches, producing large cup-shaped blossoms which are of a most elegant shade of celestial blue. Per pkt., 10c.

Fenzlia Dianthiflora—This is a most beautiful little annual and makes a splendid show in pots. It is of a trailing habit and produces in great profusion large, beautiful pink-like blossoms which are of a light lavender color with dark center. Per pkt., 10c.

Mimulus Cupreus Hybrids—This has proved a wonderful winter bloomer indeed. The plants grow thrifty and produce a surprising quantity of large, petunia-like blossoms which are mottled, spotted and blotched in a most fantastic and beautiful manner. Per pkt., 5c.

Nasturtium, Empress of India—While other dwarf Nasturtiums will probably bloom as well as this we think this is most desirable on account of its beautiful dark-colored foliage and its great profusion of large, bright red blossoms. Per pkt., 5c.

Rhodanthe—For charming grace and beauty few flowers can surpass this. It blooms in about forty days from

the time of sowing the seed, and as the flowers are everlasting they never fade, but hang on the plant in great drooping sprays all winter, and the lovely, delicate pink colors are exceedingly attractive. Per pkt., 5c.

Verbesena, Occidentalis—Blossoms very large, richest golden yellow in color, closely resembling a Cosmos, and borne on long graceful stems. Seed sown in pots at any time during winter will be up and blooming within a few weeks, the plants producing their charming flowers when only a few inches in height. For pots it is a most lovable flower. We cannot say too much in praise of this real gem. Everybody will be delighted with it. Pkt., 5c.

Nicotiana Decurrens—One of the easiest of all plants to grow, and equally fine for winter blooming in pots. Its long, tubular, star-pointed flowers are pure white, exceedingly fragrant and very profusely borne. It is one of the few plants that will flower well without a single ray of direct sunshine, and, for shaded north windows, is invaluable. Per pkt., 10c.

Schizanthus, Mixed Colors—No flower in our conservatories last winter attracted as much attention as did a few pots of this superb annual. Plants grow freely and flowers appear in large drooping racemes, and resemble some species of Orchid so closely that they are often taken for that queen of flowers. The colors are beyond description and each flower look like a beautiful butterfly with spreading wings. Our plants were in full perfection of bloom during the entire months of February, March, April, and May, from seed sown the latter part of November. Try them by all means. We offer a mixture of many different colors, all suitable for winter blooming at 10c. per pkt.

SPECIAL OFFER.

For 50c. we will send one pkt. each of the 18 sorts offered on both pages.

Childs' Grand Pansies.

For Fall Sowing and Early Spring Blooming.

A universal favorite with young and old. Every child sees the face in the Pansy, and, aside from its great beauty, we all treasure it as the symbol of modest worth and true affection. The smallest yard must have its Pansies. Not poor, forlorn plants, struggling unaided with heat and drouth and hard-baked ground, though even there yielding us handfuls of cheery bloom; but, rather, strong, vigorous plants, rioting in the cool, deep, mellow beds they love, made rich with fertilizers, kept free from weeds and shaded from the hot afternoon sun. In such a bed one may gather great velvety Pansies by the hundreds—flowers so radiantly beautiful that they scarcely seem of the earth. Although the Pansy loves coolness, and gives its largest, finest blooms in early spring and late autumn, they are so easy to grow that those living in the South can grow superb ones by giving rich bed, sheltered location, and abundant water. Sow seed early in house or open ground. In the open ground sow seed very early in spring, while the ground is yet cool and moist, for late autumn and fall bloom, or in August and September for spring and early summer bloom. For fall-sown seed, have the bed moist and kept shaded by boards or papers until the plants appear. These will make vigorous plants that will endure the winter if protected by a few evergreen boughs, or other light covering. Do not let the plants seed.

Our Pansy seed is the very choicest product of Europe, and the various strains and distinct varieties we offer are the best known to cultivation. Per pkt.,

- Large-Flowering, Choice Mixed Colors**—A superb strain of choice large-flowering types, including all colors.... 5
Trimardeau Giant, Mixed Colors—These are famous for their extraordinary size, though their form is not so perfect as the Imperial Germans..... 5
Cassier's Giant Odier—Seed saved only from selected flowers of the very largest size and most beautiful blotchings. A very distinct strain..... 5
Bugnot's Superb Mixed—Needs no praise, for it is already famous as the best selection of a noted Pansy fancier. Flowers extraordinary in size and coloring... 10
Snow Queen—A perfect beauty, being a pure snow-white, which always comes true from seed. A great bloomer... 5
Yellow Bird—Very large flowers of a pure bright yellow color. A fine bedder..... 5
Fire King—Fiery yellow and reddish purple; rich and unique coloring..... 5
Silver-Edged—Dark, rich velvety purple, with distinct white edge. Lovely for cutting and for funeral work... 5
Black Giant Flowered—A new black Pansy of the largest size; a rich coal black, very fine and striking..... 10
Cardinal—Deep scarlet, the brightest color in Pansies, and one that comes pretty true from seed..... 10
Peacock—A Pansy of superb and varied colors, most of them showing that glorious and luminous bronze-blue seen only in peacock feathers. It is a finely colored strain, and cannot be too highly praised..... 10

Giant Excelsior—Cold type cannot convey an idea of the indescribable richness, the varied and exquisite coloring, the large size, perfect form and great substance of the blossoms. Plants are compact and bushy, and produce great quantities of flowers, borne well above the foliage, on strong stems. Owing to their vigor this strain withstands the hot and dry weather better than any other variety, and produces its great, beautiful blossoms in profusion all summer. Over a hundred different shades and combinations of colors..... 20



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Fancy Striped Pansies.

These are real gems of fantastic coloring. A strain made up of various colors, all elegantly and grotesquely striped and variegated. These Pansies will be greatly admired for their odd and beautiful and distinct stripes... 10

Fancy Scarlet and Red Pansies.

This is a mixture of all the new colors in scarlet and red which have been recently introduced, such as Fiery Face, Cardinal, Fire King, etc. It runs largely to very bright colors..... 10

Fancy Margined Pansies.

The large, fine blossoms of these are of various colors, white, blue, black, yellow, purple, etc., all with beautiful margins of white and gold bordering each flower. The effect is very unique and beautiful..... 10

The above 3 Fancy sorts for 25c.



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Childs' Imperial German Pansies.

Introduced by us several years ago, and now the leading favorite throughout the world. Many inferior stocks have been placed on the market under the name, but, as the introducers, we may be depended upon to furnish the true variety. Large flowers of the finest coloring; stout, robust, bushy growth, withstanding the heat and producing fine, large flowers during the entire summer.

Mixed Colors..... 10
Named Sorts—14 kinds, 10c. per pkt., or the 14 for \$1.00.



PANSY

"FREYA"

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Freya—Another exceedingly fine European novelty of last year. Flowers large, deep velvety-purple, shaded blue and scarlet, with a beautiful white rim. A characteristic of this bloom is that the back is distinctly marked like the front, which gives it a conspicuous full-flowing appearance. It is very richly colored..... 10

Above Collection of 12 pkts. for only 50c.



FROM
ONE SEED!

OAT

New Winter Oat.

WINTER TURF.

The greatest of all forage for winter pasture and for heavy crops of grain.

A hardy, robust winter Oat for fall sowing is indeed a novelty worthy the attention of every farmer in the land. It is exceedingly heavy and enormously productive, as many as 150 strong stems having been counted growing from one stool and bearing 6,342 grains, all from one seed. Sow as you would winter wheat or rye, the latter part of August or in September, and it will afford the finest winter pasture which it is possible to have, and yet give an enormous crop of grain, which ripens early, before it can be injured by dry weather. The straw grows to the height of four or five feet, with enormous heads of grain a foot in length. Grain large, plump, and exceedingly heavy. We believe it will yield twice as much to the acre as any other Oat, and that it will supersede all other kinds. Introduced by us a few years ago and has become famous. Price, per pkt., 10c.; lb. 30c.; 3 lbs., 75c., by mail, postpaid; \$1.00 per pk.; \$3.00 per bu., by express or freight.



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New Mammoth Asparagus.

Fall is a good time to set an Asparagus bed, and every garden should have a good one. This new sort is the best. The tender shoots used for cutting are freely produced, and are of enormous size, very tender, rich and delicate. It starts very early in spring and lasts in cutting condition eight weeks. The largest and finest sort. Fine two-year-old roots, 50c. per dozen; \$2.50 per 100.



EGYPTIAN TREE ONION.

Onion.

Egyptian or Perennial Tree Onion—Every garden should have a small bed of them. Perfectly hardy in all the Northern States. In this we have an entirely new variety of Onion. It differs from those raised from seeds or sets, from the top onion, potato onion, or shallot, in the fact that when once set out, without the slightest protection, it will come up year after year as soon as the frosts break ground, and grow so rapidly that it is ready for market or home use two or three weeks before any of them. Is unsurpassed for sweetness or tenderness. Fall is the best time to plant them. Pint, 20c.; qt., 30c., postpaid; peck., by express, \$1.50.

Mammoth Sage.

A plant of this new Sage will yield more than a dozen of the common sort. The leaves are of enormous size and superior quality, and the plant a compact, rank grower, covering a space of more than three feet in diameter, rarely flowers and never runs to seed, and can be picked all the season. It is perfectly hardy in the coldest climate. Every person who has use for Sage should plant this variety. Fine plants, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.; 15 for \$1.00.

Choice Plants for Winter Blooming.

The following plants are all extra fine for winter blooming, and are mostly new or recently introduced sorts, that are not seen in general cultivation. We supply healthy, well grown, vigorous young stock that will be sure to do finely. All grown especially for winter blooming.



New Everblooming Chrysanthemum.

Pure White, Perfectly Double, Blooms at All Times.

It may be used either as a garden or pot plant, and is perfectly hardy in the open ground. The flowers are of the Chinese type, pure snow white, perfectly double, and produced by the hundreds. No other sort can equal it in profusion. Plants of dwarf habit, 18 to 24 inches high, with bright, healthy foliage and numerous branches, all of which produce bloom. A new Chrysanthemum which may be grown either in the garden or in pots, and which will produce such a crop of fine, double, white flowers at any time of the year, is certainly a great novelty.

W. R. Carroll, of Plainfield, N. J., writes, May 10, to THE MAYFLOWER, as follows: "About four weeks ago I ordered three Everbearing Chrysanthemums. Every lover of flowers should add it to his collection. It is simply a wonderful plant. To-day one of them is in full bloom and the others in bud, and none of them over eight inches in height. The readers of THE MAYFLOWER would certainly appreciate them could they see them. I trust others may have the same pleasure in seeing them bloom that I have."

We have grown a fine lot of plants for blooming at once, and during early winter. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.



Oxalis Ortgiesi.

Few new plants will give better satisfaction than this, as it is a perpetual bloomer in every sense of the word. It is in full bloom every day in the year, when grown in a pot of good soil and with ordinary care. It grows as freely as a geranium, in any situation. It is a shrubby plant like a Fuchsia, without bulbs, in which respect it differs from other Oxalis. It grows 12 to 18 inches in height, branching freely and loaded at all times with clusters of bright golden star-shaped flowers, which do not close at night like other Oxalis. Beautiful as the flowers are, it is still a splendid plant without them, on account of its highly ornamental foliage. The leaves are three lobed, dark olive green above, and a beautiful shining metallic crimson-purple underneath, with wine-colored stems. This makes it a truly novel plant, as well as a very beautiful one, and it is surprising to see what attention it will attract. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Azalea Indica.

Elegant pot plants, much used for Easter decorations. Though attaining a good size, commence to bloom when very small. The flowers are large and very beautiful, always much admired, and range from white to deep crimson in color, with all intermediate shades and markings. Easily grown in a window. Our plants are finest new varieties, imported last year, and are greatly superior to the older well-known sorts. Many of them are very double, and the colors of all are greatly improved, as well as the flowering qualities.

Dr. D. Moore—Lovely rose, with white and violet reflex. Perfectly exquisite.

Mad. Paul de Schreyver—Elegant, large, double red.

Mad. Vandercruyssen—Lovely rose, with large blotch.

Raphael—Immense double white.

Deutsche Perle—Large double white.

Ceres—Fine double white, striped crimson. Great bloomer.

Apollo—Deep brick red, semi-double and fine.

C. de W. Anne—Double, rosy pink, flaked white.

Above named sorts 50c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Mixed Azaleas—A very fine collection of more than a dozen of the finest sorts mixed. These will give great satisfaction. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



New Double Begonia Vernon.

MAGNIFICENT WINTER BLOOMERS.

The well-known single form of B. Vernon has established itself in the affections of all plant lovers. Its cheerful aspect and perpetual-blooming qualities through thick and thin make it a most charming plant. These new Double Vernons from France are in no respect different from the single, except the flowers are larger and double. Truly, they are attractive flowers, borne in large clusters, and with a freedom that is surprising. Every day the year round shows them in their radiant beauty. There is certainly no other plant producing fine double flowers in such quantity the year round as does this. It is adapted to any window or porch, or it may be bedded out in summer. In any position it is always a prize bloomer.

Vernon Double Pink—Fine shade.

Vernon Double White—Pure.

Vernon Double Crimson—Deep and rich

Fine Plants, 25c. each; the 3 for 60c

Acalypha Sanderi.

(Chenille Plant).

This is one of the most gorgeous and peculiar flowering plants thus far discovered. It grows up a straight, stout branching plant, clothed with large green leaves of good substance, and out of the axil of every leaf grows a spike of blossom, glowing crimson-scarlet in color, 20 to 30 inches long, as large around as one's finger and looks like a long piece of crimson-scarlet chenille cord. They grow on the plant exactly as our cut shows, and on plants a foot high the lower flower spikes will hang below the bottom of the pot, and they continue to lengthen as the plant grows larger. They last for months before fading, and before they fall off several other spikes have started out in the same leaf axil, and it is thus always in bloom—January to December. Even tiny plants in thumb-pots bloom, though of course the spikes are proportionately smaller. This plant was discovered in New Guinea and it did not come from the Philippines as Dewey's favorite flower, as has been sensationally advertised. A magnificent novelty. Strong, healthy plants, 30c. each; 3 for 75c.



ACALYPHA SANDERI.

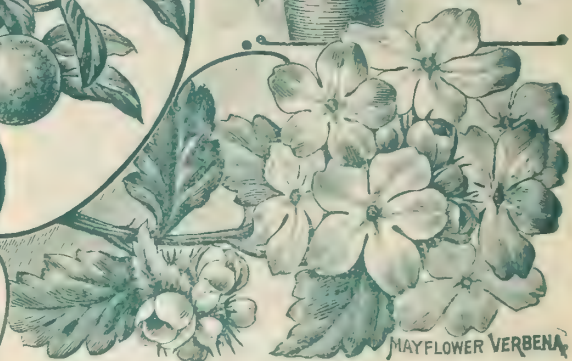
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BEGONIA
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MAYFLOWER VERBENA

Verbena Mayflower.

We can furnish fine plants propagated from the original plant of this great new Verbena. Its great merits are color and fragrance like the trailing Arbutus or Mayflower. The greatest novelty this year. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

Otaheite Orange.

An extra fine pot plant with glossy green leaves, the true fragrant orange blossoms and abundant little bright oranges that will hang on the little bush like balls of gold for six months after they are ripe. They will bloom and fruit in a two-inch pot, and we have seen a plant in a common window, that was but 15 inches high and had 23 oranges on it. When good sunlight, they are never out of fruit from one year's end to another, and at least two-thirds of the time are in flower also. The fruit is very sweet and handsome. Could we have but one plant in our window it would be an Otaheite Orange. In beauty, grace and fragrance there is nothing like its delicate leafy sprays of bloom, so indescribably exquisite, dainty, lovely and adorable. Fine plants for blooming and fruiting at once, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Begonia, Vernon.

No other kinds of flowering Begonias can begin to compare with the varieties of B. Vernon for beauty and constant bloom. They are so much superior to others that we have concluded to offer none but these. Plants flower perpetually all the year round, the plants being completely covered with bloom at all times, especially during winter.

Crimson—Produce a profusion of dark crimson flowers.

White—Splendid large blossoms, pure white.

Pink—Lovely blush and pink shades. In other respects exactly like the above, and a plant of perpetual beauty.

Yellow Leaved—This new variety of Begonia Vernon has pure white blossoms slightly shaded or bordered with exquisite silky pink, while the foliage is of a charming yellowish color. The flowers are borne perpetually.

Begonia Erfordie—A most lovely sort, and a great bloomer the year round either in pots or garden. It has large clusters of light pink blossoms, resembling large Tuberos-rooted varieties. It is a free grower and a superb sort.

Price, 15c. each; the 5 for 50c.; or \$1.00 per dozen.



New Abutilons.

Unlike the ordinary Abutilons of scraggy growth, they are very compact and short jointed, making a neat pot plant. The flowers are the most beautiful we have seen among Abutilons, being very large yet short and beautifully cupped and of the most lovely colors. It is safe to say that these varieties will produce five times as much bloom as others.

Infanta Eulalia—This is perfection itself. Plants dwarf and short jointed, producing exquisite large cupped blossoms by the score from the time the plant is four inches high. Blooms all the time, summer and winter. Color a most beautiful soft satin-pink.

Wm. McKinley—Like the above except in color, which is a beautiful clear lemon-yellow of exquisite loveliness.

Price, 20c. each; the two for 30c.



Abutilon Eclipse.

(Leopard Strain).

This is really one of the best of all pot plants. It will be hard in fact to find many which are fully as desirable in every respect. In the first place it is always in bloom. Every day in the year its fine light orange colored, bell-shaped blossoms can be seen. Add to this its lovely light green leaves, which are thickly spotted with yellow, making it one of the most beautiful foliage plants you ever saw, and its graceful, weeping habit, it makes a plant of peculiar value. For hanging baskets, pots or vases it is superb, while in the garden, it is one of the best and most attractive blooming and foliage plants that can be had. It is easily propagated, and large beds of it make a splendid show. Here it has proved to be one of the most attractive plants of recent introduction. Plant our Leopard Strain of Abutilon Eclipse, and you will have a lovely plant which will be in bloom every day in the year. The plants we send out are already budded or blooming. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



Trailing Crassula.

No trailing plant can be more lovely than this beautiful succulent. Leaves thick and heavy, closely placed about the stems, which are long and droop and curve beautifully. It is not only beautiful, but exceedingly odd; quite impossible to properly describe it. We have been years working up a stock of this plant that we might offer it. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

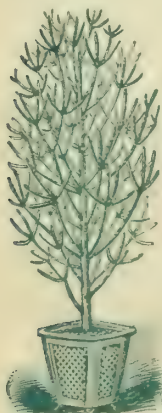
Euphorbia Candelabra.

A leafless plant and one that is very rare and odd. It is a rapid grower attaining in time the height of several feet, and branching freely like a tree, its leafless stems making an odd and curious plant. It is highly prized by people who are fond of such oddities among plants. Anyone who loves Cacti will be delighted with this plant. It grows as freely as a Geranium. 15c. each.

Sedum Aureum.

(Golden Stonecrop).

A particularly dainty little plant, with round, fleshy leaves and stems of a bright amber or gold color. Fine for baskets or for summer edging, making a splendid bedding plant. Easily propagated and a quantity will be always useful. 15c. each.



EUPHORBIA
CANDELABRA.



TRAILING CRASSULA.

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Swainsonia, or Swanflower.

It will be hard to name a plant now in cultivation which can equal this in beauty and general good qualities. It has a most beautiful fern-like foliage and blooms perpetually every day in the year, its blossoms being the shape and nearly the size of Sweet Peas, and borne in great clusters of twenty to forty. These clusters appear at the axils of the leaves, and a single branch shows many clusters of bloom at all times. The plant is a free and rapid grower, beginning to bloom in three or four weeks from cuttings, and continuing for years. It is easier to grow and manage than a Geranium, thriving in any soil and in any window, and is a superb bedding plant for the garden in summer. We believe there is no plant so easy to grow, or one that thrives and blooms under all conditions as does this charming plant.

Pure White—Large milky white; exquisite.

Deep Red—Fine dark red, with large white blotches.

Price, 20c. each; two for 30c.

WEeping LANTANA.



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SALVIA, GOLDEN LEAVED.

Golden Leaved Salvia.

GRAND POT PLANT FOR WINTER.

The most brilliant and attractive plant that has been introduced in a long time. Habit, compact, short-jointed and branching, with an abundance of foliage, which is of a fine yellow shade, hardly a trace of green about it. The flowers are a light transparent scarlet of exceptional brilliancy, far more brilliant than the common Salvia Splendens, of which this new variety is a sport. The color of the foliage is constant and does not change when bedded out in the hot sun. In fact, its color is perhaps intensified by heat. The brilliancy of the flowers against the yellow foliage produces the most striking effect we have ever observed in any plant, and we do not believe its equal can be produced. The great masses of it bedded at Floral Park the past summer have attracted more attention than anything else. Not only is the plant a fine bedder but it is also a magnificent pot plant, blooming at any and all times of the year without intermission. For winter it is particularly fine, and the most brilliant plant that can be grown in one's window or conservatory. Strong plants, 15c. each; 5 for 50c. Seed (will bloom in 3 months), 20c. per packet.

New Lantanas.

Lantanas are free flowering and brilliant colored. They make most excellent pot plants for fall, winter and spring, and are fine for bedding out in summer. The new Weeping Lantana is a splendid plant for pots and baskets, and is a great bloomer.

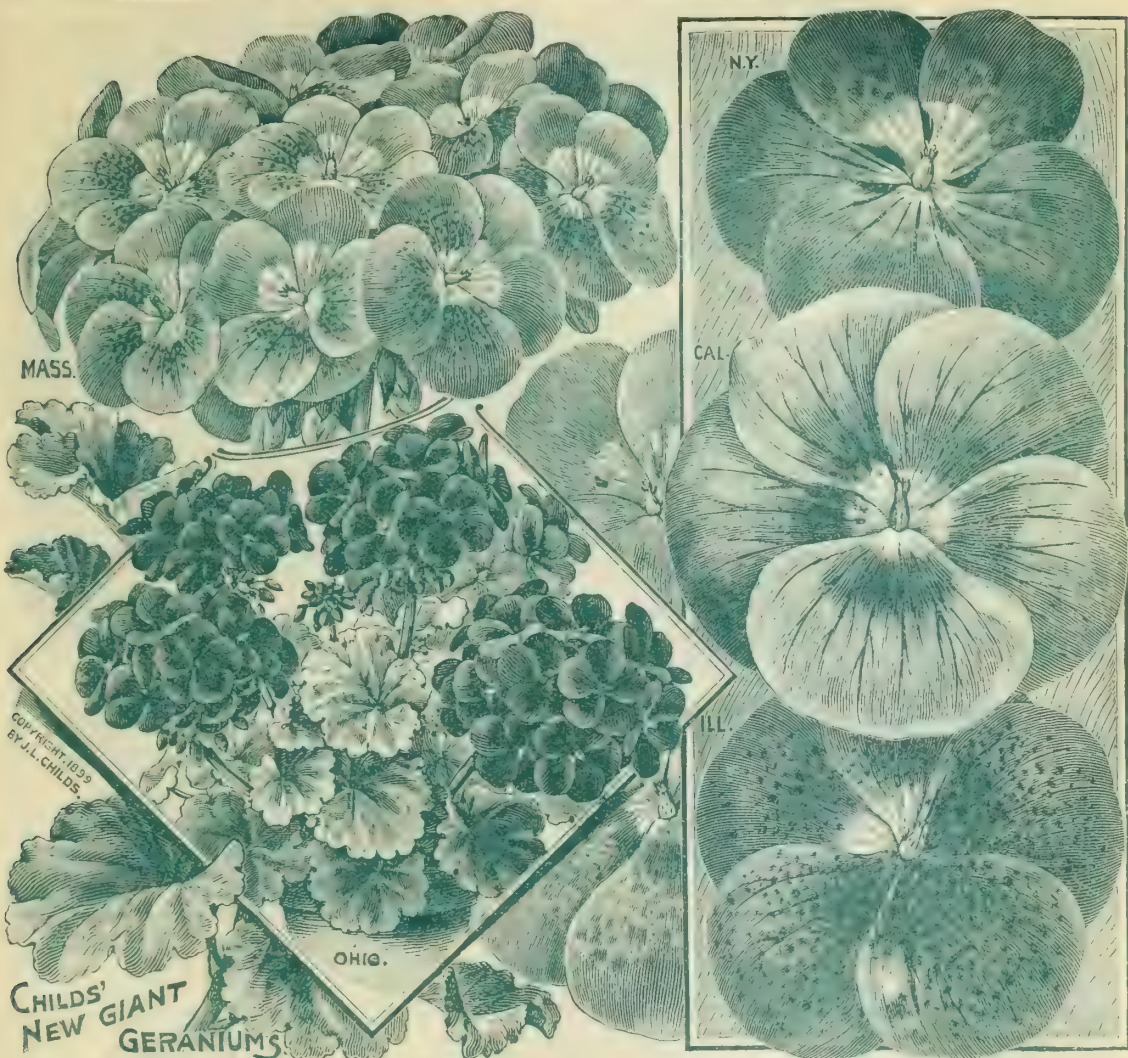
Weeping—This new trailing plant is a real beauty and highly desirable for bracket pots and hanging baskets. The slender trailing growth, and abundance of rich blossoms making it a plant of peculiar beauty. Color, a fine lilac, and sweetly scented. Very graceful and a plant easily grown in any situation. One of the best novelties in years.

Scarlet Fiery—A new Lantana of unusual beauty, being of dwarf, compact growth, and a profuse and perpetual bloomer. Its flowers, which appear at all times of the year in great numbers, when they first open are golden yellow, changing the next day to deep, fiery scarlet. This unique habit causes each cluster of flowers to show to most beautiful advantage, as the center flowers, which recently opened, are yellow, and those which surround the center deep scarlet. Valuable alike for pots, for blooming at all times of the year, or for bedding out.

Yellow Firefly—A seedling of the above with golden-yellow blossoms. Large and fine.

Price, 15c. each; the 3 for 30c.

Lantana Seed—Mixed colors. Seedlings make blooming plants in a few months. Pkt., 10c.



Childs' New Giant Flowered Perfection Geraniums.

These Geraniums are in their way most remarkable Novelties, for they show great improvement over sorts previously introduced, in habit, vigor, size and quality of bloom and in radiant coloring. For three years they have been the admiration of all who have visited our conservatories. They are now offered for the first, after three years of critical test and we know just what they are. They have been carefully compared with the best new sorts of recent years, and in every point they show their superiority. Habit compact, with large healthy foliage. Flowers perfect in shape, round and sometimes beautifully cupped. Trusses immense and the blooming qualities of the plant truly wonderful. But in color they are perfect marvels, showing combinations and brightness of tints hitherto unknown. The spotted or speckled varieties are very novel and extremely attractive. Such worthy novelties and so many of them, we think, should bear the names of different States, and we have named them accordingly, as others yet to come will be named.

Maine—Pure white, slightly tinted pink. Large flower and magnificent truss.

Georgia—Delicate sea-shell pink. Extra fine and large.

Virginia—Large, extra fine, salmon-pink. A rare and beautiful shade.

Massachusetts—Extraordinary size and beautifully colored. Exquisite pure pink with white rayed center, freely spotted or speckled.

Indiana—Pale lilac pink, slightly spotted. Large size and beautiful form.

California—Salmon-pink, white center; beautifully rayed and clouded.

Iowa—Mammoth size; shape round and perfect; velvety crimson-scarlet. Very rich.

Illinois—Soft pink, white center, thickly spotted deep crimson. Distinct and very beautiful.

Pennsylvania—Pure snow white; best of its color.

Ohio—Flower like a Pelargonium. Deep blood scarlet, veined black; upper petals rayed intense orange-scarlet. Largest known size.

Kansas—Intense orange-scarlet, each petal beautifully veined with a darker color.

New York—Enormous clusters of great substance; beautiful round flowers. Soft pink; perfectly exquisite.

Price, 25c. each; any 3 for 60c.; the 12 for \$2.00.

CERANIUM SEED.

New Hybrid Large-Flowering.

This is of our own raising and is saved from such grand sorts as those offered above. It will produce magnificent varieties, probably many as good as those here named. It is the finest Geranium seed ever offered. Plants from seed bloom in a few months. Pkt., 20c.; 3 pkts., 50c.

Primula Obconica Hybrids.

THE GEM OF POT PLANTS FOR WINDOWS.



Primula Obconica Hybrids.

A new plant of extraordinary value for winter blooming.

These are new flowering Obconicas of various colors, as large and fine as *Primula Sinensis*. The old white fimbriated variety is well known, but these new colors and larger flowers are among the very best novelties this year. Colors, pink, violet, blush, rose, lilac, white, etc. Very charming flowers, being borne in large trusses, and at all times of the year in great profusion. As show pot plants they have no superior, the clusters of blooms remaining perfect for months, and the plants so hardy and robust that they will grow in any window and under any conditions, blooming profusely all the time. Sure to delight everyone.

Plants—Fine plants for blooming at once, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Seeds—All colors, mixed 10c. per pkt. Seedlings bloom in a few months.

Cryptomeria Japonica.

A most dainty and handsome plant that has all the grace and beauty of *Auracaria Excelsa* (for which it is often mistaken), but which has the happy faculty of successfully withstanding the trying atmosphere of living rooms. It is of vigorous growth and can be grown much more economically than *Auracaria*. The plants offered by us, if given ordinary good care and attention, should excel *Poleus* in decorative beauty. As far north as Philadelphia the *Cryptomeria* is hardy outdoors, where it makes a most beautiful shrub for lawn planting and will ultimately attain great size. A grand new decorative plant of great value. 30c. each.

Streptocarpus, Grandiflora Hybrids.

We do not know a pot plant more desirable for window culture. Plants from seed will begin blooming in a few months, and continue for YEARS without once stopping. Leaves long and narrow, radiating from the crown of the plant, close to the soil. From the same spot spring the flower stems, shooting up to the height of 6 to 10 inches, each one bearing a large trumpet-shaped flower of exceptional beauty, some pure white, blue or purple, but mostly finely marked in a charming manner with harmonious colors. A plant will show several of these exquisite flowers all at once. Seed, 20c. per pkt. Fine plants, 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.



CRYPTOMERIA JAPONICA



Genista or Shower of Gold.

One of the *Finest Pot Plants for Winter.*

As a plant for late winter and early spring blooming (especially for Easter), it is almost without an equal. Flowers golden yellow, very fragrant, and borne in large, drooping racemes, and in such quantity as to almost hide leaf and branch—most truly a "Shower of Gold." It is one of the easiest plants to grow we ever saw, and it is absolutely sure to bloom profusely in any window. As a plant for rare beauty, delightful fragrance and ease of culture it has no superior, and should adorn every home. Splendid plants that will bloom finely this winter, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Seed, 10c. per pkt.

Grand New Coleus.

Velvet-like leaves of wonderful richness and beauty.

Dr. Ross—Enormous leaves like a Rex Begonia, but more exquisitely colored, being a blending of yellow, crimson, pink, green, chocolate, etc. A grand specimen plant.

Mrs. Saunders—A wedge of creamy white in the center of the leaf, with a clearly defined margin of oxide green, bronze, crimson, and purple. Perfectly fascinating.

Admiral Dewey—One of our new Giant-Leaved, and the finest Coleus yet known for bedding or for a fine specimen pot plant. Leaves large, finely toothed, dark maroon, flamed and variegated crimson-pink, blotched yellow and bordered green. Underside, green and yellow, finely variegated.

15c. each; the 3 for 30c.

Improved Rainbow Canna.

This is the most magnificent novelty among foliage plants. Each leaf is beautifully variegated with pink, scarlet, orange, grey, green, etc. The foliage keeps its color all through the season; either for open ground or pots. In habit of growth it is superb. It hardly reaches the height of 3 feet, and is compact, with numerous leaves, which are wide, wavy and graceful. In this respect more charming than any other Canna. Aside from its beauty and usefulness as a garden ornament it is still grander in pots for the window or porch, and makes a specimen plant which nothing, not even Fancy Caladiums, can surpass, 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Dwarf Winter-Blooming Canna, Star '91.



A very Dwarf Canna which will show bloom every day in the year, its flowers being borne in great compact panicles, often as large as a man's hat, and of the most intense fire scarlet color rayed and bordered with pure gold.

As a pot plant for blooming, both summer and winter, this Canna is a novelty of immense importance. It has already become recognized as the most valuable and important flowering plant among those who know it. It is utterly impossible to have a plant which is more easily grown or more effective in bloom. The enormous panicles of

flowers which are borne continually even on plants only a foot or two in height and in small pots is indeed marvelous, and the intense color of the blossoms makes such plants objects of the most effective beauty. Fine plants for immediate blooming. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

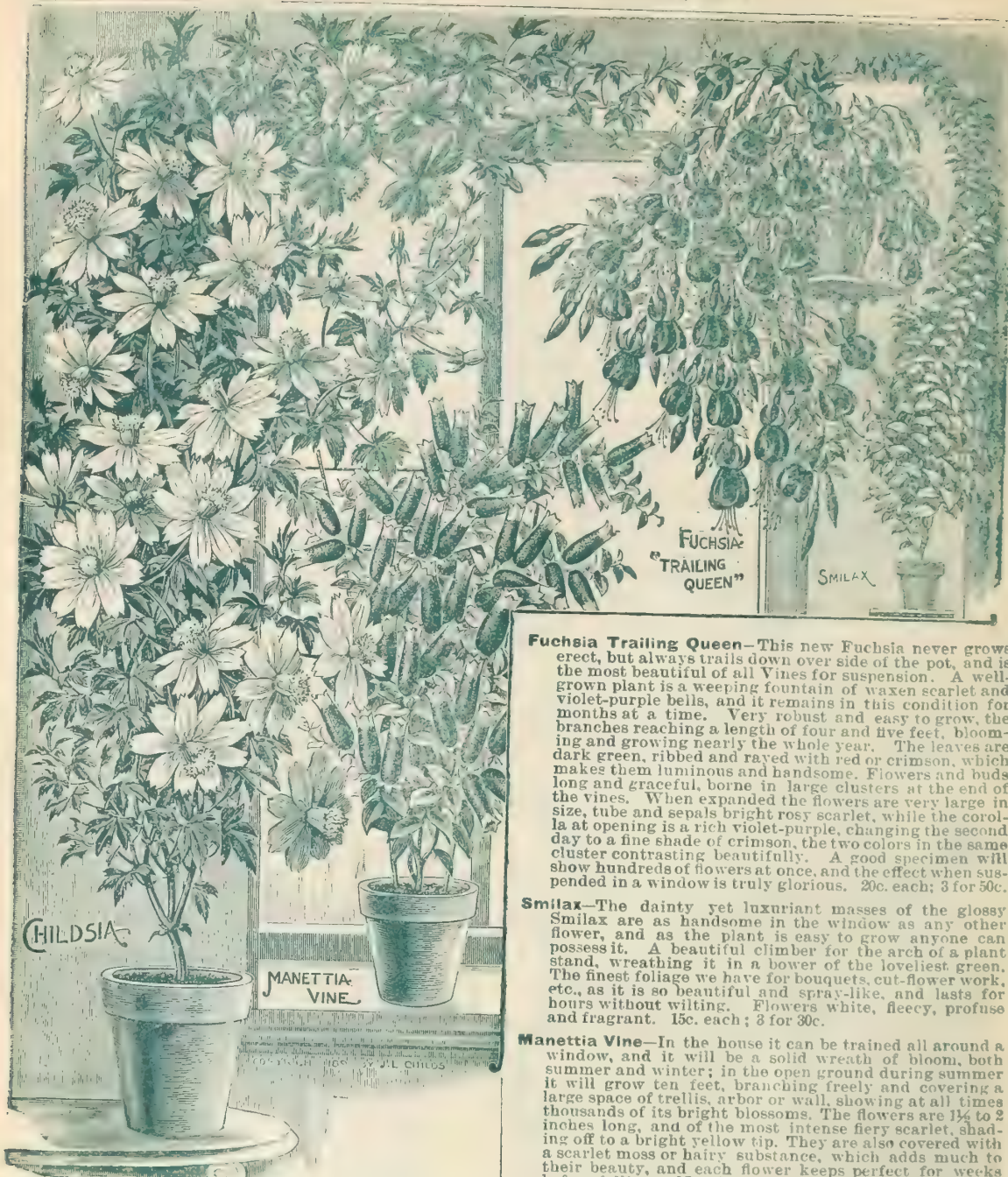


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THE GREATEST POT BLOOMER OF ALL FINE ROSES.

This is the greatest Rose Novelty in years, owing both to its beauty and its unparalleled blooming qualities. It is a Tea Rose of remarkably strong and vigorous growth and a prodigious bloomer all the year. It flowers all the time, particularly during winter, hence its name. The blossoms are borne on long, graceful stems, are of large size and a lovely crimson-pink color. Buds perfectly exquisite and the open flower full and double. It is the strongest, hardiest, most vigorous and rapid growing Tea Rose in cultivation. One plant of it will produce more good Roses in the year than 12 plants of any other Tea Rose grown. This is saying a good deal, but it is true. The plant will bloom continually, and nothing but killing it outright will check it. The blossoms are singularly beautiful in shape, color and poise, and most deliciously scented. More fragrant than any other Tea Rose. It is so strong and vigorous that it never mildews, and is a rapid grower blooming at once from small cuttings. The greatest Rose for amateurs, and one that will positively bloom prodigiously in any window at all times of year. Strong, well established plants, grown especially for winter blooming, and ready to bloom at once. 30c. each; 2 for 50c.; 5 for \$1.00.



Choice Window Vines.

Nothing is better for winter as window plants than the choice flowering Vines here offered. They will all do well, the plants being now large and strong.

Childsia Wercklei, or Treasure Vine—New, and a beautiful climbing composite, suitable for cool, shady windows or verandas. While it will grow to the height of 10 feet, it blooms profusely when very small, its flowers being like a Clematis in shape, but intense scarlet in color, which, added to its foliage and natural grace of growth, makes one of the most elegant flowering plants ever seen. It is a quick, robust grower and so hardy and vigorous that it will stand any amount of abuse. Specimens which we sent to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew attracted great attention and it has been decided to call it Treasure Vine on account of its great value; scientifically, Childsia Wercklei. It is a fine winter bloomer. 25c. each; 3 for 60c.

Fuchsia Trailing Queen—This new Fuchsia never grows erect, but always trails down over side of the pot, and is the most beautiful of all Vines for suspension. A well-grown plant is a weeping fountain of waxen scarlet and violet-purple bells, and it remains in this condition for months at a time. Very robust and easy to grow, the branches reaching a length of four and five feet, blooming and growing nearly the whole year. The leaves are dark green, ribbed and rayed with red or crimson, which makes them luminous and handsome. Flowers and buds long and graceful, borne in large clusters at the end of the vines. When expanded the flowers are very large in size, tube and sepals bright rosy scarlet, while the corolla at opening is a rich violet-purple, changing the second day to a fine shade of crimson, the two colors in the same cluster contrasting beautifully. A good specimen will show hundreds of flowers at once, and the effect when suspended in a window is truly glorious. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Smilax—The dainty yet luxuriant masses of the glossy Smilax are as handsome in the window as any other flower, and as the plant is easy to grow anyone can possess it. A beautiful climber for the arch of a plant stand, wreathing it in a bower of the loveliest green. The finest foliage we have for bouquets, cut-flower work, etc., as it is so beautiful and spray-like, and lasts for hours without wilting. Flowers white, fleecy, profuse and fragrant. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Manettia Vine—In the house it can be trained all around a window, and it will be a solid wreath of bloom, both summer and winter; in the open ground during summer it will grow ten feet, branching freely and covering a large space of trellis, arbor or wall, showing at all times thousands of its bright blossoms. The flowers are $1\frac{1}{4}$ to 2 inches long, and of the most intense fiery scarlet, shading off to a bright yellow tip. They are also covered with a scarlet moss or hairy substance, which adds much to their beauty, and each flower keeps perfect for weeks before falling. No plant is easier to grow, and it commences to bloom at once from the smallest cuttings, and continues to bloom most profusely at all times. There is not a day during its life that it is without flowers, if it has any sort of decent care. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 6 for 50c.

Passiflora Pfordti—The best for pot culture, as it blooms when but a foot high; large, handsome, fringed flowers, exhibiting a mingling of white, pink, brown and blue in its coloring, making a flower of the most fascinating beauty. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

Passiflora Constance Elliott—One of the most graceful of all vines, worth a place in every home for its exquisite foliage. The shining, leathery, five-fingered leaves airily fringing the slender stems, after the snows of winter begin to fall. Flowers pure white. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

SPECIAL OFFER.

One each of the six Glorious Flowering Vines for only 80c.

FINE FOLIAGE PLANTS.

The following superior foliage plants are well adapted to window culture during winter and are highly desirable for that purpose:

FILIFERA, OR WEEPING PALM.

One of the best window Palms, needing no petting to succeed. Stands dust and dry air, and lack of sunshine, and is very ornamental with its elegant fan-shaped leaves, of a rich, dark, leathery green. Picturesquely fringed with long thread-like filaments along the segments of the leaves. The plant is a compact grower, well adapted to pot culture, succeeding in any situation, and with any treatment that will keep a Geranium alive. It will make a grand ornament during winter, and in summer it can adorn a veranda or be placed about the garden or yard, or used for a center in a vase, basket or flower bed—always ornamental anywhere. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00. Fresh seed, which will grow rapidly, 10c. pkt.

BOSTON FERN.

Of all decorative plants for house culture this is perhaps the most imposing and satisfactory. It is so hardy that it will stand and thrive in most any situation in a room, even if out of the reach of the sun's rays. No Fern is so good in this respect. Plants form an immense number of graceful drooping fronds, varying in length from two to five feet, and always of a fresh, healthy, and beautiful green color. These fronds keep in perfect condition for years. We cannot too highly recommend it. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

ASPARAGUS, SPRENGERI.

For hanging pots, or bracket pots, where the mass of rich foliage can droop in its natural grace, it is one of the loveliest objects it is possible to find for window decoration. For cutting it lasts weeks in water. Plants also blossom freely and bear large red berries, which add greatly to the beauty of the wavy foliage. Nothing finer for decorating or for bouquet making. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SANSEVERIA ZEALANICA.

Singularly beautiful and easily grown. Erect, rigid, sword-like leaves; in some old specimens reaching a length of from four to six feet. The leaves are thick and fleshy, a dark green color, with clouded bars of white. In May and June it sends up long plummy flower spikes. The splendid outlines of the plant, together with its distinctive marbling, make it a superb plant for jardinières, centers of vases, etc. 20c. each.

PARROT'S FEATHER.

Long trailing stems completely clothed with whorls of the most exquisite foliage, finely cut. If planted in a water-tight hanging basket so the soil can be kept very wet, or water standing on the surface, it will trail down over the side in a most charming manner. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

NEPETA CLECHOMA.

This new Nepeta is hardy, fragrant and its leaves finely marked with white. Very fine for hanging basket, standing any abuse. One of the prettiest things in the world with which to carpet graves, as it roots wherever it touches the ground and forms an impenetrable net-work of vines through which weeds and grasses cannot creep. It will grow in any kind of soil, in sun or shade, hot or cold location, and is ever a mass of green and white refreshing to the eye. Unsurpassed for vases, hanging pots or baskets. 15c. each; 3 for 30c.

One each of these 6 fine Foliage Plants for 80c.



HARDY PERENNIAL PLANTS.

The earth wears a crown of *Floral Beauties*, and among the brightest, richest and sweetest are the *Hardy Perennials*. They fill a place in our gardens, and in our hearts, which nothing else can supply.

The list of *Hardy Perennials* here presented we have collected together with great care, having in view one special object, viz.: to supply the best varieties and best plants at a small cost. We feel sure that we have succeeded, and that our customers will not let this season pass without adding many of these treasures to their homes. They are all perfectly hardy anywhere, and thrive and bloom year after year with little or no care after once well planted.

New Perennial Phloxes.

Those who remember the thin-petaled white and the dull-hued purple Perennial Phlox of old-fashioned gardens can scarcely recognize these new Phloxes as the same flowers. These new varieties are in bloom from June until frost, and the individual florets are twice the size of the old time Phlox, and the shades of color the brightest, richest and clearest. There are no finer or more useful perennials than the Perennial Phloxes, or which will give more complete satisfaction. The varieties we offer are new and fine, and the plants we send out will bloom magnificently the coming summer. They are cheap and we hope that all our customers will plant them.

Atheis—A beautiful rosy scarlet tinged with salmon. Very bright and showy.

Snow Cloud—White, suffused with purple. Extra fine.

Charlotte Saisson—White, suffused with pink, deepening towards the center to bright vermillion.

Lasoliel—Enormous flowers and truss, individual flowers being $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches across. Color, light crimson tinged with lilac and shaded lighter towards the center.

Diplomat—Beautiful light lilac with crimson eye. Very large flower and truss.

Eclair—Deep, bright purplish crimson. Extra large.

Master Clarence Hulse—Pure white. Flowers and truss of very large size and exceedingly beautiful.

Sylvester Hulse—Beautiful lilac-rose.

Miss Hattie Hulse—Pure white with beautiful pink eye.

Morty Hulse—Beautiful rose-lilac, marbled with white, flowers large and of beautiful form.

Pluton—Deep wine-red; splendid. New.

Mad. Reudatier—Fine lilac, bordered and flaked white.

15c. each; any 6 for 60c.; the 12 for \$1.00.



Pyramidal White—A great acquisition, being a plant of sturdy, compact growth, and bearing enormous pyramidal panicles of great blossoms. By far the finest white, and in all round good points the finest Perennial Phlox grown. Great solid panicles of grand effect.

Pyramidal Crimson—Like the above, with same great blossoms, but of a bright crimson color. The two sorts contrast finely. They bloom all summer long and are equal to Hydrangeas in majestic beauty.

Price of above two, 20c. each; the two for 30c.



Heimerocallis.

Hardy, robust plants, producing great quantities of magnificent, large, fragrant, Lily-like blossoms all summer.

Flava—If everyone does not know the Lemon Lily, they ought to, for it comprises in one plant entire hardiness, profusion and beautiful and fragrant bloom. Last summer we counted 868 buds and full blown blooms on a medium-sized specimen at one time. The clear yellow, Lily-like flowers are borne on long, stiff stalks, making them superior flowers for large vases or for pulpit bouquets. There is no yellow Lily so beautiful as this.

Dumortieri—Profuse, orange-yellow, bright, rich, and showy.

Kowiensis fl. pl.—Large double blossoms on tall stems

Price, 20c. each; \$1.25 per dozen; the 3 for 50c.

Day Lily Variegated.

Leaves as handsome as a flower. A rosette-cluster of almost white leaves lightly striped with green and yellow. Flowers pretty pale lilac-blue on tall spikes. Fine also for pots. Altogether, this is one of the finest (certainly one of the most attractive and ornamental) of all hardy plants. Nothing more ornamental. 15c. each; 5 for 60c.

Peonies.

The favorite of today, as it was fifty years ago. Luxurious foliaged plants, with magnificent, double, incurved flowers of enormous size and rich colorings. Nothing can surpass the intensity of the dark varieties that fairly glow with a radiant fire of richness, while the white and pale varieties are very soft and delicate in their coloring.

New Giant—Like an enormous double Rose, of a bluish, almost white color; a Peony which grows 3 to 4 feet high, and bears flowers nearly as large as a man's hat, which resemble a perfect Rose. In fact, the flower is the same shape, fragrance, and exquisite satin-like pink color as Baroness Rothschild Rose. It is beautiful beyond description. Fine roots, 40c. each; 3 for \$1.00.

Victor Lemolne—Large size and great fragrance—deep crimson. 30c. each.

Fragrans—Bright pink, double and very sweet. 35c.

Double White—Pure white, very scarce. 40c. each.

Tenuifolium—Fine cut, fern-like foliage, of exquisite beauty, and blossoms in May. Rich, fiery scarlet. 30c. each.

Humilis Single—Large, purple-rose; very early. 25c. each.

One each of the 5 sorts for \$1.50.

Mixed Peonies—Ten sorts. \$1.25 per dozen.



IRIS KÄMPFERI.

Double Iris Kämpferi.

These new Iris from Japan rival the Lily in stateliness, the Peony in majestic beauty, the Orchid in marvelous delicacy and blending of colors, the Chrysanthemum in profusion, and surpasses almost every plant in the size and kingly magnificence of its flowers. Think of a plant sending up to the height of three feet a dozen flower spikes, each spike bearing from two to four enormous blossoms eight or ten inches across and of the most delicate and beautiful colors, markings and combinations. Think of a bed of all colors, white, indigo, violet, lavender, mauve, sky-blue, royal purple, bluish, yellow, etc. Your imagination can conceive of nothing grander, and when you see them you will realize that they are infinitely more grand and beautiful than your imagination could portray. Such are these new Double Iris Kämpferi, the king of hardy perennial plants. Once planted in your garden they are a joy for a lifetime without further care, blooming profusely in June and July, during which time they are the greatest attraction your garden or lawn can obtain. These Iris received highest award at the World's Fair.

Blue Jay—Dwarf habit, large flowers; fine azure blue freely veined and mottled white. *Extra fine.*
Eclair—Lovely pure white. *Extra large and fine.*
Mahogany—Very large flower, deep mahogany red.
Cold Bound—Tall and showy, with flowers of enormous size, probably the most beautiful of all. Pure snow-white, with large gold-banded center.
Blue Danube—Extra fine luminous blue, with peacock center and yellow eye. *Very large and showy.*
Zenobia—Rich purple, mottled with grey.
Mt. Hood—Light blue, shaded darker. Bright orange center.
Pyramid—Tall and showy, flower very large; light violet-blue with slight white veins.
P. C. de Rohan—Purplish blue, shaded violet, with red at center. *Fine large flower.*
Robert Craig—Tall and very large; French white, shaded with violet toward center; *extra fine.*
Price 15c. each; any 3 for 40c.; the 10 for \$1.00; or \$1.00 per doz.
Double Mixed—40 Fine sorts, 7 for 50c.; 15 for \$1.00



SINGLE VARIETIES.

Como—Reddish amaranth, with large white center.
Shadow—Enormous, wavy petals, dark indigo blue with peacock luster and golden center. *Grand.*
Snowbound—Large, pure white, with golden bands.
Souvenir—Lovely rose pink, with satin gloss and delicate blue veins.
Violet Cup—Pure white, veined and suffused dark blue.
Quakeress—Light lavender, tinged rose.
Price, 15c. each; the 6 for 50c.; or \$1.00 per dozen.
Single Mixed—30 kinds, 7 for 50c.; 15 for \$1.00.

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Beautiful German Iris.

Another good old flower, as handsome as an Orchid, now to be found in many new colors. A striking flower of crepe-like texture and most exquisite coloring, the gauzy veining reminding one of the delicate tracing of the butterfly's wing. We grow acres of Iris, and know you can find no finer list of varieties than the one here presented. They bloom in May and June, when there is a dearth of really fine flowers, and are out of bloom before Iris Kämpferis commences.
Fine Mixed Sorts—A lovely collection, 6 for 40c.; 12 for 75c.
Named Sorts—A collection of 10 sorts, named, for \$1.00.



Candytuft, Hardy.

A plant of exquisite beauty, being of low, compact, spreading growth, and producing its profusion of bloom in May or June, when pure white flowers are particularly scarce. Its profusion of bloom is so great that a bed of it looks, at a little distance, like a mass of fleecy snow just fallen. Few hardy plants will give as much real satisfaction as will this beautiful gem. Lifted late in the fall, it will bloom well in the house during winter. Perfectly hardy and foliage green. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Arundo Donax Variegata.

Surpasses any Canna as an ornamental foliage plant. Produces wide, luxuriant leaves, which are freely striped and variegated with pure white. Makes a most striking object, and fine for the center of beds. Very hardy. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00.



ANTHURICUM LILIASTRICUM. ARUNDO DONAX VARIEGATA.



Anthuricum Liliastrium.

(CONVENT LILY.)

A hardy perennial plant of the highest qualities. Its equal is found only among some of the rare and high priced Lilies. Each plant sends up many tall flower stems, each bearing a quantity of very large, pure white flowers, surpassing the White Day Lily in size and beauty. Quite as pretty, in fact, as the Bermuda Easter Lily. Will attract great attention and is unsurpassed for cutting. A grand good thing, perfectly hardy anywhere. Strong roots, 20c. each; 3 for 50c. Seeds (will bloom second summer), 10c. per pkt.

Achillea Grandiflora.

A most useful and beautiful hardy perennial plant which furnishes a profusion of the choicest double, white flowers all summer. It commences to bloom by the first of July and is a perfect mass of bloom until frost, as many as 5,000 flowers having been counted on one plant at one time. Flowers pure white, perfectly double, and are produced in large sprays, and are unsurpassed for all sorts of cut-flower work, bouquets, etc. It is perfectly hardy anywhere, and so vigorous that it will take care of itself among weeds. For cemetery planting there is nothing finer, for it is sure to live, thrive and bloom profusely year after year. The plants we send out will bloom profusely next summer.

15c. each; 5 for 50c.



ANEMONE
"WHIRLWIND."



VINCETOXICUM
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Mosquito Catcher Plant.

This pretty plant, Vincetoxicum, comes from Japan. It grows one to two feet high and all summer bears a profusion of pretty, white, star-like blossoms that secrete a viscid fluid that attracts mosquitoes and sometimes other insects as well. Alas for the poor mosquito! No struggling on his part can ever free him after he has once dipped his beak in the forbidden sweets, though he may tug and plunge and buzz for a day or two after. A single spray of bloom will capture a dozen mosquitos. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.

Anemone, Whirlwind.

A variety of the beautiful old A. Japonica, but with large, semi-double blossoms of a snow-white color. It possesses a beauty and airy grace which is seen in but few flowers, and its great profusion of bloom at the end of summer and during fall, when pure white flowers are scarce, makes it very valuable—in fact one of the finest novelties of the year. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.



HEUCHERA
SANGUINEA

Heuchera Sanguinea.

This rare and little known plant will be a revelation of beauty to all who try it. It is of very pretty, graceful habit, sending up great numbers of flower stems, which branch freely and produce for a period of two or three months a great profusion of scarlet blossoms. Nothing finer for vases or decorating. Perfectly hardy. 15c. each; 4 for 50c.

Rudbeckia Laciniata fl. pl., "Golden Glow."

A hardy perennial plant growing eight feet high, branching freely, and bearing by the hundreds, on long, graceful stems, exquisite double blossoms of the brightest golden color and as large as Cactus Dahlias. The cut represents a plant in bloom, as photographed. Mr. William Falconer, the best authority on plants in this country, says of it: "When I saw the double-flowering form of Rudbeckia Laciniata in bloom in your grounds at Floral Park, I was amazed, for I had never before seen a double-flowered Rudbeckia; and I was delighted with the fullness and gorgeousness of the blossoms and their clear, bright yellow color. The plant you gave me grew vigorously and threw up strong branching flower stems, six feet high, laden with sheaves of golden blossoms as large as fair Chrysanthemums, and all having an elegant, graceful appearance, without any of the stiffness in habit or blossoms peculiar to sunflowers. Many eminent florists and amateurs have seen it here and all admired it. As cut flowers the blossoms last well. In fine, I unhesitatingly regard it as the most desirable introduction among hardy perennials since we got Clematis Paniculata." It is the most effective flowering plant for August and September in cultivation.

Strong plants, which will bloom freely this season, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.



RUDBECKIA
"GOLDEN GLOW"



RUDBECKIA
"GOLDEN
TREASURE"

New Single Rudbeckia.

"GOLDEN TREASURE."

Offered last Spring for the first. Not so tall as Golden Glow, but equally handsome. Flowers of larger size, fine form, and borne on long, graceful, stems. Color, brightest gold; the most æsthetic garden flower yet seen. Do not despise it because it is single. It is fully as handsome and effective as Golden Glow, but entirely different. We predict for it as great a popularity as the wonderful Golden Glow, which we introduced five years ago, and which is still a sensation among new flowers. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

SPECIAL OFFER.

One each of these two grand plants for 25c.; 3 of each for 60c.; 12 of each for \$2.00.

Aster, Alpina.

One of the most charming hardy perennial plants we have ever seen. Its flowers are borne in profusion early in spring, and are the size of a large wild Daisy, about 3 inches across, composed of a double row of intensely blue petals, surrounding a golden yellow center. It is double the size of any other hardy Aster, and closely resembles a large Paris Daisy in shape and general appearance. Price, 30c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

BEAUTIFUL HARDY FLOWERING VINES.



Honey-suckles.

The dear old Honey-suckle is never out of place, at the rich man's mansion or the poor man's cottage. For a cheap, hardy, robust yet lovely vine, it is the chief standby.

Fuchsia Flowered—Large clusters of long, trumpet-shaped flowers that droop like a Fuchsia, brilliant coral red.

Golden Leaved—Marvelously effective. It bears innumerable sprays of the most perfect little leaves that are covered with a net work of gold and green, often marked with pink also. The gold deepens at the tip of the sprays and there is nothing finer to combine with corsage bouquets, while for trimming floral baskets they are the finest things we know of. Blossoms pure white.

Halliana—The best white monthly Honey-suckle, with dark green foliage, which keeps fresh and green nearly all winter, and beautiful clusters of the sweetest-scented flowers that open a snowy white and turn a pale yellow. These flowers are produced in profusion from early spring to late fall. A fine vine for a trellis, or veranda.

15c. each; the 3 for 40c.; \$1.50 per dozen.

Wistaria.

A favorite vine that will grow twenty-five feet in a single season. Just the thing for second-story verandas, or as a tree climber, or to train against a high wall. In early spring is covered with great massive clusters of lovely pea-shaped flowers.

Alba—A mass of white flowers in spring, the clusters of bloom reaching two feet in length. 75c. each.

Sinensis Magnifica—Fine large clusters of lovely blue flowers, produced in great masses. 20c. each.

Ampelopsis Veitchi.

The fashionable wall climber of the day. Clings tightly by suckers thrown out along the stem to brick, etc., and is a wall of living green the summer through, turning in autumn to a flaming crimson, when it is fairly gorgeous. It stands the dust and dry air of cities admirably. Nothing else can take its place. 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00.



Clematis.

The finest vine in existence for small trellises, or piazza pillars. Used also to cover rock work, mound, stumps, etc., or can be used as a low trailer, pegging its shoots down to the ground. Foliage neat, habit graceful, and for a month a solid sheet of bloom, the large starry flowers actually hiding the foliage. The flowers are from 4 to 9 inches across, extremely showy. All of these are perfectly hardy, and are the finest varieties.

Ramona—A strong, rampant grower, fully three times as strong as Jackmanni, often growing ten feet the first season. It is a perpetual bloomer, flowers appearing both in the old and the new wood, giving an abundance of blossom all through the season. In color a very deep sky-blue, lovely and distinct from any other. In size the flowers surpass anything we have ever seen. Perfectly hardy and very vigorous; new and grand. 80c.

Henry—This is the finest of all white Clematis, and should find a place in every collection. It is not only a vigorous grower, but is a remarkably free and continuous bloomer, beginning with the earliest and holding on with the latest. Flowers large of a beautiful creamy white. 80c.

Jackmanni—This is perhaps the best known of the fine perpetual Clematis, and should have credit for the great popularity now attending this family of beautiful climbers. The plant is free in its form of growth, and an abundant and successful bloomer, producing flowers until frozen up. The flowers are large, and of an intense violet-purple, very remarkable for its velvety richness. 80c.

Paniculata—We cannot well say too much in praise of this vine. A clean, thrifty, robust growing vine, of graceful habit, with attractive glossy foliage, and covered in August and September with a sheet of clustered snow-white bloom of the most delicious fragrance. No other vine so completely covers itself with flowers. An arbor or portico over which this Clematis is trained is a wall of white for the time being, and what makes it the more striking is that nearly all other vines have ceased blooming at that time. The panicles of bloom are very pretty for cutting, the pretty star-like florets, with their feathery stamens appearing to fine advantage contrasted with the large and more vivid flowers of the early autumn garden. Perfectly hardy; grows rapidly. Fine vines 25c. each; 3 for 60c.; 6 for \$1.00.

Coccinea—A graceful festooning vine of graceful appearance. Bears a profusion of shining coral-scarlet buds and flowers all summer. Blossoms bell-shaped, very bright and beautiful. Fine for decorating. 20c.

Crispa—Something like Coccinea, but more broadly bell-shaped, and their color a fine blue, tipped with white. Very neat foliage. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

One each of the above 6 fine Clematis, \$2.00.





Hardy Ornamental Flowering Shrubs.

Nothing can take the place of Shrubbery for the lawn, for hedges and specimen clumps. Shrubs thrive in any situation, are beautiful all summer, producing some of the choicest of out-door blossoms. The list here offered is a select one, including only the very finest and most desirable sorts.

Althea—A fine tall-growing shrub, that once planted is good for a lifetime. Blooms when but a slip of a plant, but eventually reaches the size of a small tree. Always a symmetrical, upright grower, well clothed with a dark green foliage, and bears every year, without fail, a profusion of large, showy double flowers that closely resemble Hollyhocks in shape and colors, but often larger in size. They bloom from midsummer until frost, at a time when few other shrubs are in bloom. Fine for cemetery planting or for grouping upon the lawn. In Europe this is the most popular of all flowering shrubs.

Calycanthus Florida—The "Sweet Shrub" so long a favorite in gardens. The purplish flowers have an exquisite pineapple fragrance of which one never tires, and a spray of them will perfume a whole room. Cannot be omitted from any lawn or garden.

Fern Leaf Tree—A beautiful tree of low, shrubby growth, making a superb large foliage shrub. Its leaves are like beautiful fern fronds, so finely laciniated and graceful, often two feet in length by ten inches in width. Color very dark green, while the stems are dark ebony red. It also bears large bunches of red berries, and in autumn the leaves color very brightly at the touch of frost. It is one of the very finest shrubs in cultivation. As a specimen shrub or small tree for the lawn it is grand.

Spiraea, Anthony Waterer—A perpetual bloomer, and suitable either for garden or pots. It is of a dwarf habit, flowering profusely when only a few inches in height, and at all times and seasons. The flowers are of a lovely pink color, borne in dense clusters, and have a peculiar feathery appearance which is extremely beautiful.

Spiraea, Bumalda—This new Spiraea blooms from early summer until frost, and is not only very handsome in the flower garden, but is quite indispensable for cutting, furnishing the fine, feathery, fluffy spikes so necessary to bring out the full beauty of a bouquet. Very easy to grow and entirely hardy, and so dwarf and compact it can be grown where larger shrubs would be out of place. A cloud of lovely rose-pink flowers for months.

Deutzia Cracilis—Grows only two feet high, but is weighted to the ground with its load of white Lily-of-the-Valley-like blossoms. Fine for forcing in winter.

Daphne Cneorum—A hardy shrub which trails over the ground in a most beautiful manner. Extra fine for any position, and being evergreen it is the most desirable plant we know for cemeteries. The plant is composed of spiral branches of dense evergreen leaves. The flowers are a lovely pink color, in clusters, and are borne profusely in early spring, and more or less during the entire summer and fall. The delicate beauty of the blossoms is great, but their fragrance is marvelous. Hardly a flower known possesses such a powerful fragrance.

Hydrangea Paniculata—Generally considered the most valuable and ornamental shrub in existence. Bushy and robust, every branch tipped in midsummer with an immense close panicle of flat, snow-white flowers of gigantic size. The trusses of bloom are ten to twelve inches long and nearly as thick through, and last for two or three months, turning pinkish towards the last. No other shrub makes such a show on the lawn or is so universally admired. Grand for cemetery use, and always blooms finely the first summer.

Hydrangea Impreterice Eugenia—A fine hardy sort, producing great flat cymes of sky-blue, among which are scattered great star-shaped white or pink blossoms. Exceedingly showy and a rival of the famous Paniculata.

Jasmine, Nudiflorum—The first of all shrubs to bloom, the fragrant yellow flowers wreathing the naked branches the first warm days in spring. It often blooms in February or March, while there is yet snow upon the ground.

Jasmine, Officinalis—A low trailing or weeping shrub, which produces all summer long large quantities of star-like, waxy white blossoms, of the most powerful and delicious Jasmine fragrance. Unsurpassed for cutting, button-hole bouquets, etc.

Sweet Pea Shrub—The shrub of shrubs for bouquet makers. When it is in bloom it is really but a big bouquet itself, so full is it of dainty sprays of large, lovely rose-pink blossoms, to which the graceful pinnate foliage is an admirable background. Very hardy and robust, and commences to bloom when but a foot high. Its glorious flowers are borne in clusters and are the size and shape of the most lovely Sweet Peas, but their color is more beautiful. The amount of bloom which one of these little shrubs will carry is astonishing, and the sight presented is one of remarkable beauty.

Syringa, Double—A double flowered form of the lovely old fragrant Syringa. Blossoms snow-white, double like roses, very fragrant and borne in profusion.

Clematis, Davidiana—(BUSH CLEMATIS)—This is a lovely species of Clematis, growing in bush form three or four feet high, and yielding through the summer great panicles of lovely blue flowers, which are exceedingly handsome and very fragrant. The foliage is large and luxuriant, and the plant is, all in all, one of exceptional beauty. It is perfectly hardy in any locality and blooms profusely when only a foot high. This lovely Bush Clematis will be a rare attraction in any garden or border.

Exochordia, Grandiflora—A new Japanese shrub of great beauty. Blooms early in spring, and is a complete mass of snowy white bloom. One of the very finest for cutting and for vases.

PRICE—Any of the above Shrubs, 50c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; the 15 for \$2.00; or \$1.50 per dozen.

CHOICE AND RARE FRUITS.

For complete list of our New and Rare Fruits see our last Spring Catalogue, pages 141 to 156. If you have not this Catalogue, it will be sent free on application.



Choice Strawberries.

Of all the fruits known to cultivation, the Strawberry is conceded to be the most luscious, and is a universal favorite; yet it is not grown by one-half the people who might grow it just as well as not. It is but a few hours' work to plant a Strawberry bed, and care for it during the year, and no work can possibly yield a better return. Strawberries bought in the market are not to be compared with the luscious, ruby beauties, fresh and ripe, from the vines. The following are the very best varieties in cultivation—the cream of all—including extra early and late sorts.

Great Washington—The real giant among big Strawberries. This important new sort originated in the State of Washington. Samples which we received in February were potted, and bore fine fruit in April. Several hundred plants planted out in April fruited fairly well, though no fruit was expected the first season. The berry is not only the very largest and handsomest in cultivation, but by all odds the best flavored. It is also a great cropper and vines are extremely healthy and vigorous. It merits not possessed by any other very large sort. What more need be said. It is certainly the grandest Strawberry ever introduced. 6 plants for 50c.; 12 for 80c.; 5 for \$1.00; 100 for \$4.00.

Mineola—For a general all-around Strawberry, we believe this to be the finest variety in cultivation. It originated on Long Island and has been cultivated here for ten or a dozen years by a few growers, and was first introduced into general cultivation by us last year. The fruit is of very large size and exceedingly sweet and luscious in quality, in this respect surpassing any other variety. It is a most vigorous grower, its foliage being of great size

and wonderfully healthy and luxuriant. The fruit is borne on tall stems, which hold them well up from the sand and dirt below. The berries are perfect in shape, beautiful in color, enormous in size and exceedingly prolific, succeeding well on all soils. Either as a market, home or exhibition berry it is par excellence. Could we grow but one variety this would be our choice. Fine plants, 60c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$15.00 per 1,000.

Ocean City—A new berry of wonderful value. Its great points of value are, enormous size, surpassing almost any other known sort, and enormously productive. Unlike all large berries, which are usually shy bearers, this one is very prolific. In beauty it has no equal, and always brings a large price in market than any other. It is a hardy and vigorous grower, supposed to be a cross between Wilson and Sharpless. From what we know of it we believe it is a variety of pronounced value. Fine plants, 60c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$15.00 per 1,000.

Crim's Double Cropper—A new sort, which was originated in New Jersey by a Mr. Crims. The introducer says of it. "In the spring of 1896 I planted 2½ acres of the Double Cropper and in June, 1897, gathered and marketed several hundred bushels of fruit, and in the following September I gathered and marketed in New York over 100 bushels more of fine large berries, which sold for prices ranging from 50c. to 75c. per quart." This statement, being verified, is sufficient to make the Double Cropper at once an acknowledged acquisition. With us it is a most healthy and vigorous grower, with fine dark rich foliage. Our plants are from the originator, and are therefore genuine. 60c. per dozen; \$2.00 per 100; \$16.00 per 1,000.

SPECIAL OFFER.

Six plants each of above 4 fine Strawberries for \$1.00. 12 plants each for \$1.50, or 100 plants each for \$8.00.



Great Japanese Wineberry.

This magnificent fruit, which was introduced by us several years ago, is now acknowledged to be one of the most valuable fruit novelties ever introduced.

Growth and Hardiness—It belongs to the Raspberry family; is a strong, vigorous grower, attaining the height of 4 to 5 feet, and is perfectly hardy in all positions without protection. It is, in fact, more hardy and vigorous than any Raspberry or Blackberry. It stands alike the cold of northern winters and the heat of southern summers without the slightest degree of injury. Its leaves are of the darkest green outside and silvery white underneath. The young shoots and branches are covered with reddish brown hair or moss, which makes the plant odd and handsome.

Fruit—The fruit is borne in large clusters, often 75 to 100 berries in a bunch. These berries are from the time of formation and bloom until they ripen, enclosed in a "burr," which is formed by the calyx covering them entirely. When ripe the "burr" opens, exhibiting a large berry of the brightest light glossy scarlet or sherry wine color. The "burrs" and stems are covered with a heavy, reddish moss, like a Moss Rose bud, giving the plant a most unique and beautiful appearance. The flavor of the fruit is entirely different from any other berry, being very sprightly, sweet and juicy, having no disagreeable sour, but a delicate and luscious flavor peculiar to itself and superior to other berries. It is absolutely free from all insect ravages.

For Canning and Preserving—The Wineberry is greatly superior to any other fruit. It is the only fruit which will retain its fresh, sprightly flavor after being cooked, and for cooking it in any form there is nothing which can compare with it. It also makes the most delicious jelly.

For Syrup and Wine—The Wineberry makes a syrup, which, for flavoring, is superior to all other fruit juices. As a flavor for soda water it is delicious and novel. It will make more wine from the same bulk than any other fruit, and good judges have pronounced it the most delicious wine.

Time of Ripening and Productiveness—The fruit commences to ripen early in July, and continues in bearing for a long time. It is the most productive berry known, the bushes being literally covered with its large clusters of luscious fruit, which are very easily gathered. Owing to their novelty, superb flavor and great beauty they sell more readily and at far better prices than any other berry.

Price—First-class, vigorous plants for fruiting first year, by mail, postpaid, 15c. each; 3 for 30c.; 15 for \$1.00. Two-year-old plants, 30c. each; 4 for 75c.; 12 for \$2.00.

Seed—Fresh seed, per pkt., 10c.; 6 pkts. for 50c.



BALLOONBERRY.

The Balloon Berry.

Another wonderful new fruit from Japan, offered last year for the first time. The plant grows 10 to 15 feet high, and, like the Wineberry, the canes are covered with silky red hairs. Fruit ripens all summer, and is very large, shaped somewhat like a Strawberry, or more like a balloon, from which its name is derived. Color of fruit, clear yellow, tinged red; as large and as handsome as the Tree Strawberry. In fact, it contrasts magnificently with that superb fruit, the ruby color of the one and golden yellow of the other, together with the enormous size of both, makes a glorious show. Luther Burbank, who has grown this berry for several years, and from whom we purchased the entire stock, says of it: "It came to me from my collector in Japan, who found it back in the interior. It is a large-growing, vigorous, hardy plant, somewhat inclined to trail. Grows 10 to 15 feet long, and an inch or more in diameter at the base in good soil. Leaves very handsome, compound, lanceolate. Fruit, which is ripening nearly all summer, is clear yellow, shaded red, inflated so as to resemble a balloon. Cultivation will make it as delicious as it is ornamental. A most unique, highly ornamental and valuable berry, unlike anything else. Fruits finely here, even up to November. Fine plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00. Seed, 10c. per pkt. It grows very quickly and rapidly from seed.

Tree Strawberry.

OR STRAWBERRY-RASPBERRY.

The Largest and Most Beautiful Berry in the World, and the Most Productive and Easily Grown.

This is one of the most unique and at the same time the largest and most beautiful berry of any kind that has yet appeared before the public. It comes to us from Japan and is of the Raspberry family, though in many respects it resembles a Strawberry, growing on a bush two feet high. The plant is entirely hardy in any location, and a most profuse yielder, ripening an enormous crop of fruit in July and August, and more or less all the time up to November. In quality the fruit is called good, though not so finely flavored as either the Strawberry or Raspberry, but quite as good as most Blackberries. It is very fine when cooked, and makes a jelly which has a unique flavor, and is superior to the jelly of any other fruit. In habit of growth the plant is distinct from both the fruits named. The root is perennial, throwing up numerous strong, branching shoots, which are covered with its large, beautiful berries the whole summer, from early in July until freezing weather, rendering it a perpetual bearer. The canes or shoots die to the earth in winter, new ones being thrown up the following spring, which begin blooming and setting fruit at once. The foliage is light green in color, bright, clean, cheerful and pleasing, and exempt from attacks of all insects and diseases. The berries are globular, slightly oblong in form, monstrous in size, a rich, glossy, ruby-red color, sweet and melting and of such transparent beauty as to cause everyone to about with amazement upon first seeing a plant in bearing. Strong plants, 15c. each; 5 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.00; 30 for \$2.00. Seed, 10c. per pkt.



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New Climbing Raspberry, Golden Climber. A MOST UNIQUE AND VALUABLE NOVELTY.

A climbing Raspberry is a novelty of more than ordinary importance, and one that is sure to delight all who appreciate the unique and valuable in horticulture. This berry has grown and fruited with us for two years, and we can offer it with our strongest recommendation. Planted in a good, rich soil, near a building or trellis, it will grow 10 to 15 feet in a season, and the strong, vigorous branches may be fastened up to a trellis or building as one would secure a grape vine. Its fruit ripens very early (one of the very first of all Raspberries), and is produced in very large clusters, is of good size and fine quality, and deep golden yellow in color. Foliage large, vigorous and healthy, and it is a berry of the most thorough ironclad hardiness. It being such a rank grower and producing such an enormous amount of wood, makes it immensely productive. It will probably yield twice as much fruit as any other sort. It is ornamental as well as useful, and, taken all in all, our customers will find it exceedingly valuable, and, capable of being put to many good uses. *Fine, strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.*

Best Standard Raspberries.

Cuthbert—A very large red variety, of superb quality. It is an enormous yielder, and grows freely in any situation. It will adapt itself to any wild or out of the way place and make a splendid wild berry, if one has not time to give it culture.

Golden Queen—This is a sport from the Cuthbert, and is exactly like that excellent berry in all respects, except that its color, when ripe, is a fine, rich golden yellow. It is of high quality.

Kansas—The king of all Black Cap berries. Medium early, large size, great productiveness, excellent quality and perfect hardiness, make it superior to any other variety.

Columbian—A Raspberry of gigantic size, the canes growing to the height of 10 to 16 feet, strong and woody. Very hardy and vigorous. Fruit large, dark red, with small seeds. A Cap variety, never suckers and is increased by tips.

Souchet Everbearing White—An extra large berry of a beautiful light amber, almost pure white, color. Perfectly hardy, vigorous and a great cropper, both summer and fall. The fruit is of extra fine quality. In fact, we think it the finest flavored of all Raspberries, therefore most desirable for the home garden. Its beautiful color, contrasting with red or black varieties

makes a very appetizing dish when served together. In many respects this is the very finest Raspberry in cultivation.

75c. per dozen; \$2.50 per 100; 3 each of the 5 sorts for \$1.00.

“CLIMBING RASPBERRY.”



CHILD'S
EVERBEARING TREE
BLACKBERRY



Childs' Everbearing Tree Blackberry.

For a Blackberry it is the largest, finest flavored, most prolific, fruiting for two months, and requires no stakes. It grows from five to seven feet high, branching freely into a fine tree form, as seen in the cut, straight and erect. The berries are of enormous size, equalled only by the Erie, borne in large clusters, which commence to ripen early in July and continue into September, making its fruiting period nearly two months or more. The finest Blackberries we ever ate we picked about September first from some of these plants which had been ripening fruit since July 8th. They are exceedingly sweet, juicy and delicious, melting in the mouth without a particle of hard core. Its delicate flavor, great productiveness, enormous size, long season of bearing, and perfect hardiness in the coldest parts of the country, make it the most valuable of all berries for family use. Some of our customers who bought it last year report that the plants fruited last summer, and berries proved to be the largest and finest ever seen, and that the symmetrical branching of the plants makes them perfect little trees.

Price, first quality, large and strong, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 12 for \$1.50.

Three Fine Blackberries.

Price, 3 for 25c.; 12 for 75c.; 100 for \$2.50.

Erie—It is in every sense a superb Blackberry, being enormously prolific, hardy, the fruit large in size, perfect in shape, sweet and luscious in quality. Is soft and melting to the taste, being ripe and sugary to the very core.

Early Harvest—The earliest Blackberry grown and in every way a grand good sort. Often grows eight feet high, and a perfect mass of fruit from top to bottom.

Sugarplum—A fine sort which is very odd, beautiful and luscious. Fruit large, borne abundantly, very sweet and honey-like, and when ripe of a lovely violet-red color. A great acquisition.



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RATHBUN
BLACKBERRY.

New Blackberry Rathbun.

Surpassing any other variety. Two common quart boxes, one of the Rathbun and one of the Snyder variety, were picked and counted. The basket of Rathbun was filled by 45 berries, while it required 164 berries of the Snyder to fill the quart. One of the Rathbun berries was, at the same time, measured and found to be 1 3/4 inches long and 1 3/4 inches in diameter. A large proportion of the berries will measure from 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 inches in length, and the whole crop is very uniform.

The fruit of the Rathbun, unlike most Blackberries, has no hard core, in fact, no core is perceived in eating it. All is soft, sweet and luscious, with a high flavor. It is superior to all the well known varieties in cultivation in this quality. On this point it may be said that there is nothing more to be desired, and it is not probable that there will ever be a variety to surpass it in this particular.

The Rathbun was severely tested for hardiness during the winter of 1895-96, when for several days the temperature was 20 degrees below zero but did not kill the vines.

The plant is a strong, erect grower, and, unlike most varieties, it produces but few suckers. It sends up a strong main stem which branches freely. These branches curve over and bend downward till the tips touch the ground. Then late in the season they send out roots from the tips of the branches and thus propagate themselves in the manner of a Black Cap Raspberry. 20c. each; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00.

New White Blackberry, "Iceberg."

This marvelous novelty was produced by Luther Burbank, who describes it as follows: "Owing to the somewhat unsatisfactory qualities of White Blackberries so far known, the impression may have been entertained by some that no White Blackberry could be as productive and hardy, with berries as early, abundant, large, handsome and delicious as the best black ones.

"The well-known Lawton is, when ripened, unsurpassed and very generally known as the most productive market berry. Owing to its fixity of race, it will reproduce itself from seed almost exactly, and its seedlings will not be influenced, when raised from seed pollinated by other varieties, but it readily imparts its good qualities when employed as the staminate parent. One of the great-grand-parents of "Iceberg" was Lawton. The first generation of seedlings, when crossed with Crystal White, were all black; the second also, though varying much in other respects; but the third produced this wonderful plant, bearing the snowiest white berries ever seen. It bears loads of delicious, snowy berries, which are not only white, but so transparent that the seeds, which are unusually small, may be seen in the ripe berries.

"Clusters larger than those of Lawton; berries at least as large, earlier, sweeter, and more tender and melting throughout, though as firm as Lawton is when ripe." No garden should be without this grand White Blackberry. Strong plants, 20c. each; 3 for 50c.; 7 for \$1.00; 15 for \$2.00.



New Giant Currants.

These two Currants are novelties of great importance. When you consider the enormous size and beauty of the fruit, great productiveness, hardness and vigor of the bushes (outyielding other varieties almost two to one), we may be pardoned if we feel a little pride at being the introducer of them. Empire is deep ruby-red; Purity, pure white—the two contrasting magnificently when seen together. In size the fruit is often $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches in circumference, and borne in clusters four inches long, while bushes two years from the cuttings yield six to ten quarts each. The fruit being so very large and excellent, sells readily at almost double the price realized for other sorts. It seems hardly necessary to say anything more about them. Their great value will be apparent. Another valuable point about these new Currants is their lateness in ripening. They ripen somewhat later than other varieties, therefore escaping the great glut and low prices which Currants bring in the height of the fruiting season. Empire and Purity, coming in later and being so much finer in size and appearance, virtually have the field to themselves.

Empire—New giant red.

Purity—New giant white.

PRICE—20c. each; \$1.50 per dozen. One each of the 3 sorts for 50c.; 3 each for \$1.25; 12 each for \$4.00.

Childs' Giant Ruby—One of the finest of all Currants. It is of remarkable strong growth, and in the size and quality of the fruit it is really a marvel. The berries are very large, borne in enormous clusters of twenty to thirty, yet leaving room near the wood to make picking easily done without bruising or crushing the berries. In color they are the most beautiful ruby-scarlet, sparkling and glossy, and, being so large in size, they catch every eye, and sell more readily and for much better prices than any other variety. It is now being largely planted where Fay's and other sorts have been pulled out, for it is a greater and surer bearer than any other. In this locality it easily produces three or four times as much fruit as Fay's or Cherry, and the fruit is certainly much finer in every respect. Mr. N. Hallock says: "I have grown the Giant Ruby Currant for four years. Bushes three years set yielded the past season five pounds of fine fruit, where Fay's Prolific, in the same lot, has been an entire failure. Of the seven or eight kinds I grow, Giant Ruby yields double the quantity of fruit of any of them."

"EVERBEARING"
PEACH.



New Peaches.

There is no tree which makes a more rapid growth and comes into bearing sooner after planting than the Peach. Trees small enough to go by mail will bear in three years, and their cost is so little that every home in our land should be abundantly supplied with this most valuable fruit.

Everbearing—This is one of the most remarkable of Peaches, as it combines many desirable qualities which make it of great value for family use. The first ripening begins in July and successive crops are produced until the beginning of November. Fruit in all stages of development—ripe and half grown—may be seen upon the tree at the same time. Two-year-old trees bear freely. As the tree blossoms during a long period, a complete failure of fruit can never happen. The fruit is creamy white, mottled and striped with light purple and with pink veins near the skin; very juicy, vinous, and quality very best. Freestone of the Indian type. No praise can do justice to this magnificent novelty. It is really one of the finest things we ever offered. Good size, prolific, best quality, and bears continually for three months. What more can be desired? 30c. each; 3 for 75c.; 7 for \$1.50.

Holderbaum—This Champion of all Peaches originated in 1880, in Somerset, Pennsylvania. The size of the matured fruit is immense, many specimens measuring from 12 to 14 inches in circumference. In color it is of a light cream-yellow, with a beautiful red cheek on the sunny side. In texture it is very firm, of fine quality, and a perfect freestone. The pit is very small and the flesh light yellow, streaked with red from the surface to the center, and of most exquisite flavor. It ripens about August 15, thus making it one of the earliest of all freestone varieties. For hardiness, vigorous growth and long life, it is certainly the Champion of all Peaches. 25c. each; 5 for \$1.00.

Champion—Fruit very large, often 10 inches in circumference. Flavor most delicious, juicy, sweet and rich, surpassing most other varieties. Color, a beautiful creamy white, with a bright red cheek, most strikingly handsome in appearance. Its season of ripening is very early. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.

Excelsior—The tree is a dwarf of low-spreading, willow-like habit of growth, and the fruit buds are so hardy that it produces a full annual crop when all others fail. Fruit medium to large, rich orange-yellow, splashed with carmine on the sunny side, flesh yellow, juicy, very sweet, tender and rich. 20c. each; \$2.00 per doz.

SPECIAL OFFER—One each of these 5 grand new Peaches for \$1.00.

Dwarf Japanese—This is the earliest of all Peaches, maturing in about eight weeks from time of blooming. It is a dwarf-growing, very stocky variety from Japan, bearing when three or four feet high; a little tree, one year planted, matured twenty-four fine specimens. The blooming season is late, making it free from damage by frosts. Fruit large, beautiful crimson and yellow, heavily overlaid with red. The flesh is rich, juicy and of most excellent quality, and of blood-red color. It is the most fragrant of all Peaches, a single specimen being so sweet as to fill a whole room with the delightful fragrance. The trees are very productive. It requires so little room that it may be grown on the lawn or in any nook and corner. It is a perfect gem of a fruit. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.





Grapes.

Everyone who has a bare fence, wall or outbuilding, or a few feet of vacant ground, can plant a few Grape vines and reap an annual harvest of luscious fruit. Owners of country places, or even of city lots, need never be without an abundant supply of Grapes in season. There is no fruit that yields a more prompt or generous return. Everybody can grow it, and everybody should have it in abundance. The following sorts are the very cream of the hundreds of varieties which are before the public; they are mostly varieties of recent introduction and of improved quality:

Early Ohio—This is the earliest of all Grapes; originated at Euclid, Ohio, in 1882, being a chance seedling of the Concord. The third year from seed it set thirty clusters of fruit, which were allowed to grow; they ripened August 20th. It has borne large crops every year since, ripening in 1889 the 15th of August, and always as early as the 20th of that month, fully one week to ten days earlier than Moore's Early. It is fully three times as productive as Moore's Early, better in quality, and never drops from the stem, a fact that shippers will fully appreciate. On account of its earliness the fruit is readily sold in the market at 10 to 15 cents per pound at wholesale. Testimonials received from all parts of the country corroborate the foregoing in every detail. The introduction of this variety makes it possible to grow Grapes in any locality where heretofore it has been impossible to ripen them on account of frost. 20c. each; 4 for \$1.00.

Moore's Diamond—This is, probably the finest of all white Grapes. The vine is hardy and healthy in growth, vigorous, and perfectly free from mildew. Berries large, of a beautiful light straw color—almost white—and of a most delicious quality, having few seeds and a pulp which melts in one's mouth like snow. 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Moyer—An extra early Grape, about the size and color of the old Delaware, but with a larger bunch. It is, perhaps, sweeter and more delicious than any other Grape grown; in this respect being superior to the Delaware. It has beautiful red berries, which are very handsome, and the vine is a hardy, robust grower, vigorous and productive. Originated in Canada. 20c. each; \$2.00 per dozen.

Niagara—No Grape has been so largely advertised as this, and none so extensively planted during the first few years, and, we may say, none has proved more profitable. It is the leading white Grape of the day. Berries very large, borne in large bunches. Flavor sweet and delicious, there being but few varieties which can equal it. It is exceedingly productive, and as hardy and robust in any locality as the Concord. 15c. each; \$1.25 per dozen.

Colden Pocklington—A very sweet and delicious Grape of a beautiful amber color. Hardy, vigorous and productive. A magnificent sort. 15c. each; \$1.50 per dozen.

Five each of above 5 grand Grapes for 75c.

The Childs Quince.

This is a most remarkable new sort, as it is such an improvement over all varieties of Quince. The fruit grows to an enormous size, larger than the largest Apples. In shape it is nearly round, resembling an Apple very much, with smooth skin. It is of very mild, pleasant flavor, so much so that when ripe it is delicious to eat raw from the hand, as one would eat a good Apple. For cooking it is superb. Its flesh is so tender that it will bake or stew as readily as an Apple, and in less time. The tree is a large, rank, luxuriant grower with heavy foliage, and bears enormously, beginning when they stand in the nursery rows and only a few feet in height. Originated by Luther Burbank. Price, 80c. each.

Grandall Tree Currant.

A strong and rapid grower, attaining a height of seven feet and branching freely into a fine symmetrical tree form; single shoots often grow four to five feet in one season. It bears every year a tremendous crop of large black fruit nearly the size of a grape, the quality of which is entirely unlike any other black sort. 20c. each; 3 for 50c.



New Apples.

It was our good fortune a few years ago to come into control of several new Apples of superior quality. They are so valuable that they will become leading favorites, and we advise our customers to plant a few, if only to get grafts.

The Senator—It is only now and again that there comes a new Apple of such superlative merits as to delight at once the pomologists and the "plain people" also. But this rare combination is given to the world in the Senator—the most admired and best liked Apple shown at the World's Fair. For rare beauty and singularly fine quality the choicest of every beholder. Bears every year; began at four years and outbears Ben Davis. Trees simply look like a pile of apples; 16-year trees averaged 24 bushels first class Apples; limbs bend to the ground, but don't break. Finer quality than Kinnaid, don't scab; good keeper. Size very large; shape nearly round; color brightest red, with small yellow markings.

Bismarck—This new Dwarf Apple is indeed a wonder. Little trees a foot or so in height will bear a few apples of enormous size, either growing in pots or in the ground. A little tree 12 inches high, which we imported from France last winter bore a fine large apple the following summer. Fruit very large, of brilliant color, and borne freely on trees two years old. A most unique pot plant and a fine little tree for the garden, the great apples on such very small trees attracting great attention.

Lorain Sweet—An apple of great size and superb quality. It ripens in early fall and is the most delicious Sweet Apple grown, flesh being exceedingly tender and melting and of the most luscious flavor, reminding one of the sweetness of honey. Should be in every orchard.

Price, 30c. each; \$2 per dozen; the 3 for 75c.

Wonderful New Apples.

Of these remarkable new Apples only one-year old trees can be supplied. They are grand.

Eliza Ratke—Very ornamental, branches hanging perpendicular. Fruit good size, yellow, vinous. Keeps till April.

Monstrosus de Nikota—Gigantic size and good quality. Largest known.

Nidwetzkina—Wood, branches, blossoms and fruit of a dark red color.

Rambourg de Winnitza—Very large, weighing two pounds; yellow, sometimes striped crimson; firm, juicy, vinous; late keeper.

Price, 60c. each; the 4 for \$2.00.

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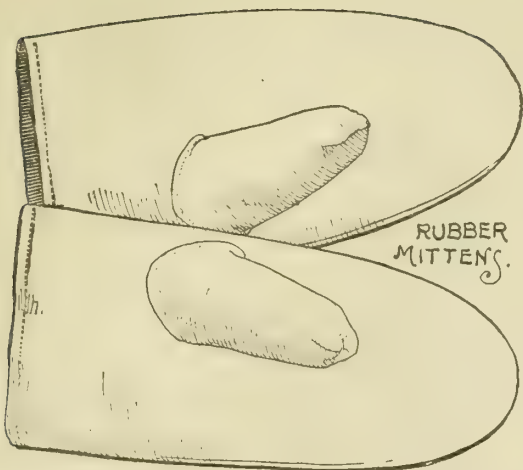
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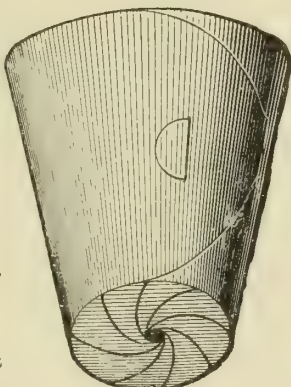
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